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CELEBRATE END OF CAMPAIGN — The Dentists Group held a victory dinner last week to mark the end of its campaign on behalf of the 1963 United Jewish Appeal of Toronto. It was the first group to conclude its drive this year. Zvi Garcy, center, "The Man Who Meets the Trains", was guest speaker. Others, from left, are Drs. Barry Hanser, Jerry Giblon, Harry Rosenberg and Leo Sussman, all vice-chairmen.

TORONTO DENTISTS HOLD UJA VICTORY DINNER

Toronto Dentists are the first trade and professional group to wind up their 1963 campaign in behalf of the United Jewish Appeal. They held a victory dinner last week at Beth Tzedec Synagogue.

According to Dr. Ralph Halbert, chairman, the group is expected to top last year's pledges of $29,000 by at least $6,000 when all cards are returned. Pledges to date are ahead of last year, he said.

Ray D. Wolfe, general campaign chairman, congratulated the group on its speedy campaign and said he hoped other groups would follow the Dentists' example in working hard, covering cards quickly and obtaining increases.

Vice-chairmen of the Dentists were Drs. Alan Brown, Harvey Freedman, Jerome H. Giblon, Gerald Halbert, Barry Hanser, Ron Landsberg, Irwin Lightman, Al Reinstein, Harry Rosenberg, Irving Siegel, Leo Wolfson and Marvin Zarnett.

300 NAZIS IN RED GERMAN GOVERNMENT

WEST BERLIN (JCNS) — Some 300 former Nazi party members and officials occupy leading public positions in East Germany, according to the West Berlin Commission of Free Jurists

The Commission alleged three acting ministers of the East German Government are ex-Nazi party members —the Minister of Culture, Hans Bentzien; the Minister of Trade and Supply, C. H. Merkel; and the Minister of Agriculture, Max Reichelt. Fifty-one members of the East German Parliament are ex-Nazis.

• Commentary •

By M. J. Nurenberger

with malice toward none

Time is running out. In another few weeks it will be Passover. And, if no change is effectuated in the attitude of those who are the masters of the three-million Jews in Russia, there will be no matzot for them — for the second consecutive year.

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One may recall the chain of events during the weeks preceding the last Passover: the Soviet government at first ignored the protests following the announcement by the Chief Rabbi that anyone desiring unleavened bread for the Seder would have to bake it at home; for the bakeries, controlled by the authorities, were not equipped to bake matza. Then we heard about some technical difficulties. Following this, the Soviet Embassy in Ottawa assured me that Jews in Russia had the full freedom to exercise their religion and that they were equal citizens according to the constitution of the USSR.

This was beating around the bush. When I spoke of the ban on matzot in the USSR and appealed to the Soviet government to demonstrate its belief in co-existence for all, I never questioned the legal equality before the law according to the USSR constitution. I merely doubted the sincerity of the official Soviet statements with regard to one particular problem: if the state or municipal bakeries (in a country where baking bread is operated by the government) refused to produce matza, there would be no unleavened bread. And it would be a sad Passover for our brethren in the Soviet Union.

Naturally our Communist quislings and fellow travelers attacked me for "anti-Soviet" propaganda. Again the facts were distorted, for, after Passover, even Ilya Ehrenburg admitted that it had been "stupid" to deny matzot to those who wanted it. Several weeks later, the official Soviet news agency, "Novosti", honored me with an official reply in which Moscow's chief rabbi, Leib Levine, allegedly expressed his sadness at my commentary and reminded me that Passover was long past; it was close to Shavuot.

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Well, now it is before Passover.

A Jewish news agency, reporting from Washington about a delegation of American Young Israel visiting the Soviet Embassy in connection with matzot for the Russian Jews, happily reported that a Soviet official once again assured American Jews that there is no ban on matzot. Technically he may be right. But this is further a clever diplomatic ruse to disguise the facts. As one member of the delegation told me, the Soviet official declared: we are not averse to any Jew consuming matzot — if he bakes them. But, as an atheist state, the Soviets are not going to provide matza.

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Here lies the crux of this problem. Officially anyone has the right to eat matzot. (In fact, how could even the powerful Soviet police stop one from consuming unleavened bread?) However, how will the Jew who does not eat bread on Passover obtain matza? He can get it from the government operated bakery only, where he used to buy it until last year's ban on baked Passover products. Therefore such news reports are misleading.

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North American Jewry cannot remain silent in the face of such violation of the freedom of religion, a violation which was so eloquently denounced last year by the Prime Minister of this country, the Rt. Hon. John G. Diefenbaker.

The Soviet Union, as I stressed upon different occasions, is vitally interested in maintaining good relations with the West and thus is sensitive to our protests.

There is a time when silence is not golden. This is one. Nor is protest a vice.

Africa Leader:

ARAB QUARRELS NOT OURS

YEVTUSHENKO TO ISRAEL

PARIS (CJN) — Soviet poet Yevgeni Yevtushenko has accepted the invitation to visit Israel extended him by the Hebrew Writers Association.

Arrangements for the trip are to be fixed this week.

GETS JEWISH PRIZE

Yevtushenko, for his poem Babi Yar, and Shostakovitch, for his 13th Symphony in which he set this poem to music, are being nominated as candidates for the first "Renaissance Prize" which is to be awarded annually by an eminent international jury under the aegis of the Paris Memorial to the Unknown Jewish Martyr to "fighters for the restoration of human values violated by the Nazis and others in the last three decades."

According to the Paris Communist Yiddish daily "Neie Presse," the Soviet authorities have given their blessing to the inclusion of Yiddish culture in the Soviet Union's programme of cultural exchanges with foreign countries.

NEW ATTACK

Aaron Vergelis, editor of the Moscow Yiddish periodical "Sovietish Heimland" is quoted as saying that his editorial board has decided to establish contacts with "meritorious" Yiddish writers abroad, regardless of their political opinions — "even with Zionists." The next issue of "Sovietish Heimland" will be devoted largely to commemoration of the Warsaw Ghetto uprising.

ONLY MICROBES

PARIS (JCNS). — "Microbes of antisemitism" still exist in the Soviet Union "and we have to strike hard to exterminate them", Russion poet Yevgeny Yevtushenko told the JCNS correspondent here last week. However, he said, antisemitism in Russia was but a remnant of the past and was in the process of being completely liquidated.

Yevtushenko stated that he would be delighted to visit Israel — where he had been told his poems were very popular — but, although he had made known his desire to visit the Jewish State some months ago, he had not yet had a formal invitation.

The poet was the guest of honour at a cocktail party with a group of newspaper correspondents here. He denied that he had altered his poem "Babi Yar" at the orders of Communist Party officials. "In Russia my character is well known and it is understood that I am not a man to take orders. Anyway, the times when directives used to be given have passed."

IDIOTS IN EVERY COUNTRY

Although he was no nationalist, the 30-year-old poet said, as a son of the Russian nation he deeply regretted the exploitation of his poem by Western newspapers to suggest that antisemitism was particularly deeply rooted in the Russian people. Antisemitism, he said, was by no means characteristic of the Russian people, but there were idiots in every nation.

All that he had done with "Babi Yar," Yevtushenko said, was "to make an addition", and this was done under the impact of one of the 20,000 letters he had received after publication of the poem. This one told how a Russian woman saved the life of a Jewish child threatened by the S.S.

Most of the letters he had received were from Russians. Only 30 were blatantly antisemitic and in these the handwriting had been disguised. The writers said that he was either "a filthy Jew" himself or in the pay of the Jews.

It was interesting, he noted, that he received about the same number of abusive letters following the publication of his anti-Stalinist poem, "Stalin's heirs." Some of these threatened him with death and one warned that Stalin would return one day.

YEVGENEY YEVTUSHENKO, Soviet poet and fighter against anti-semitism, accepted invitation to visit the Holy Land.

STRESSES FRIENDSHIP FOR ISRAEL

Jerusalem, (CJN) - Foreign Minister Golda Meir told the Foreign Press Association that the anti-Israel resolution adopted last week at the Moshi conference was self-defeating and would not affect Israel's friendship in Africa.

An Afro-Asian conference in Moshi, capital of Tanganyika denounced "Zionist colonialism." It called for a stop to "Zionist infiltration in Africa and Asia" and abrogation of treaties with Israel.

But a call for boycott of Israel was deleted from the final resolution.

"NOT OUR ENEMY"

At a press conference afterwards, Mr. Oscar Kambona. Tanganyika's Home Minister, and the Afro-Asian conference chairman, questioned about his country executing the anti-Israel resolution, said it was "a case of the Arabs and not our case".

Mr. Kambona added:

"Tanganyika was not willing to accept anybody's enemies as our own."

Mrs. Meir told the press: The adverse results of the resolution for its sponsors were apparent immediately following the conference when the Tanganyikan Home Minister dissociated his country from the measure, calling it a purely Arab matter.

Similar resolutions were adopted by the conference against the U.N., Sierra Leone, and the Cameroun Republic, Mrs. Meir noted, declaring, "They don't really mean a thing."

U.S. FOR SETTLEMENT

Replying to a range of questions by the correspondents, including impending talks with the U.S. on the Arab refugees, Mrs. Meir reiterated that Israel is always ready to discuss any problem with any friendly government. She said that both the U.S. and Israel want the refugee issue settled.

Israel believes that settlement of the problem depends basically upon the Arab governments. It is a fallacy, Mrs. Meir said, to consider the problem out of the general context of Arab hostility to Israel.

Toronto Nears U.J.A. Goal

The 1963 campaign of the United Jewish Appeal of Toronto will reach the $2,000,000 mark at the Opening Dinner Thursday, March 7th at 6.30 p.m., at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, it was announced this week by Ray D. Wolfe, general campaign chairman.

"With this event we will move into the third phase of the campaign, and be on our way to our goal of 3 million 300,000 in '63," Wolfe said. "This means that every worker must cover his cards now and obtain the increases that are absolutely necessary if we are to reach the goal."

GOLDSTEIN GUEST SPEAKER

A telephone report meeting has been planned for Sunday, March 3, at 150 Beverley Street when campaign chairmen will get together to call workers for reports on progress in card coverage.

Guest speaker at the dinner will be Dr. Israel Goldstein, chairman of Keren Hayesod — United Israel Appeal, a major beneficiary of the Toronto UJA. Dr. Goldstein also is a member of the Jewish Agency executive; co-chairman of the World Confederation of General Zionists; vice-chairman of the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany; and president of the Jewish Conciliation Board of America. His honorary positions include president of the Jewish National Fund

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ONLY IN ISRAEL

PERFORM WEDDINGS IN ELIJAH'S CAVE

Jerusalem, (CJN) — The "Jerusalem Post" reports:

Elijah's Cave on Mt. Carmel was the setting for an intercommunal wedding last week. The bride was Naomi Ben Uri, a sabra soldier of Dutch descent, and the bridegroom Daniel Toledano, 26, of a well known Moroccan family, who has been seven years in the country. The Cave was chosen for the ceremony by the father of the bride, Mr. Meir Ben Uri, a Synagogue architect and Contoral music composer, who is in charge of the Cave on behalf of the Ministry of Religious Affairs.

"By choosing the Cave for the wedding, we avoided the choice of an Ashkenazi or Sephardi Synagogue" Mr. Ben Uri said. He also expressed the hope that other couples would follow suit, for a true integration of the Exiles, suitable for weddings.

SUITABLE FOR WEDDINGS

The ceremony proved that the Cave is suitable for weddings, even in winter. The weather held (Hadar Hacarmel was swept with a torrential downpour at the same moment—another sign of Elijah's help) and the canope designed by Mr. Ben Uri himself, was placed on a platform in the open air, while the reception was held inside the Cave. The hupa (canope) will remain at the Cave for future use as a gift of Mr. Ben Uri.

The dozens of guests included the bride's grandfather, former Commerce Minister Peretz Bernstein, writers, and Rabbis. A military Rabbi, Shlomo Schreiber, solemnized the wedding. Special "Seven Blessings" music, composed by Mr. Ben Uri, was played.

The bride, dressed in white, and her dark-haired bridegroom, told **The Jerusalem Post** immediately after the ceremony that they would spend their honeymoon in Eilat before settling down in Rosh Pinna. He is an Agriculture Ministry employee and she is a trained kindergarten teacher.

PRETTY PICTURE

The wedding made a pretty picture with the canopy put up between the sea and the mountain. It was decorated with branches of broom tree. It was under a broom tree that Elijah rested in the wilderness when fleeing from King Ahab, when the angel provided him with a meal that kept his strength for 40 days and nights until he reached Horeb, the Mount of God.

A week before, another couple was married in the Cave quietly, in accordance with a vow made by the bride's mother that she would marry her daughter in the Cave if the Prophet would send a cure to her. The Cave is also often used for the unmarried who ask the Prophet for a suitable partner.

Washington Warns Russia On Near East

Washington, (JCNS) America has warned the Soviet Union that if anything is done to disturb the stability of the Middle East, "we may find it necessary to increase our aid to still other States (in the area)".

Addressing a committee of the House of Representatives Mr. McNamara, the U.S.A. Defence Secretary, said America's interest was "to help create an environment in which each nation can maintain internal stability and develop in its own way without fear of attack from neighbours or from the Communist block."

He pointed out that the U.S.A. had provided "some military grants" to Jordan and Saudi Arabia and had sold some Hawk anti-aircraft missiles to Israel "to offset large Soviet deliveries of modern aircraft to Egypt."

BORDER INCIDENTS

Jerusalem, (JCNS) In the present disturbed conditions in the Middle East, even the most insignificant border incident could assume major proportions, the Israel Army Chief of Staff, General Tsur warned yesterday. He was addressing a passing out parade of officer cadets.

Those involved in any such incident, he said, would not hesitate to make use of it for political and military aims. While Arab leaders come and go one thing remains unchanged, he declared — the blind hatred of them all for Israel.

Egypt was exerting all her energies to strengthen her military might for the purpose of destroying Israel, he told the officers. And with the aid of foreign technicians she was obtaining the most modern offensive weapons.

HAWKS

Jerusalem, (JCNS) The date of delivery of the Hawk missiles promised to Israel by the United States will depend on whether the US. Army will agree to postpone its own supplies. This was stated here by Mr. Charles Francis Adams, President of the Raytheon Company, which manufactures these missiles.

Mr. Adams was on a "private" visit to Israel, but he conferred with Mr. Ben-Gurion and Mr. Shimon Peres during his stay here. He also visited the Nuclear Research Station at Nahal Sorek and the Weizmann Institute's Department of Applied Mathematics.

The Hawk missile, he said, can hit "anything flying" and does not need a fixed base, as it is highly mobile.

Toronto Rabbis To Speak This Sabbath On UJA Drive

Twenty rabbis who are members of the Toronto Rabbinical Fellowship for Community Affairs will deliver sermons at services this Friday night (February 22) and tomorrow, Saturday morning (February 23), on behalf of the current United Jewish Appeal of Toronto campaign, it was announced by Ray D. Wolfe, campaign chairman.

In welcoming the support of the Rabbinical Fellowship, Wolfe said it was "significant that Orthodox, Conservative, and Reform rabbis will preach on the same theme—how important it is to contribute to the United Jewish Appeal. It is proof once again that **tzedakah** knows no 'denominational' lines."

Members of the Rabbinical Fellowship are Rabbis: Arthur Brodey, Jerald Bobrow, Louis J. Cashdan, Emil L. Fackenheim, Abraham L. Feinberg, Jordan Pearlson, Aaron M. Kamerling, W. Gunther Plaut, Gedalia Felder, Solomon Spiro, Benjamin Hauer, Joseph Kelman, Bernard Rosensweig, Walter S. Wurzburger, M. C. Celniker, Albert Raab, Albert Pappenheim, Stuart E. Rosenberg, Erwin Schild and Reuben Slonim.

TO WORK FOR UJA The Brokers and Finance Group launched its campaign on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal of Toronto with a meeting last week at the King Edward Hotel. Abbie Allison and Al Waxer are co-chairmen of the group. Shown at the meeting are, from left, Nat Sandler, Mac Nisker, Ralph Fisher, a campaign Senator, and Ray D. Wolfe, campaign chairman and guest speaker at the meeting. The group is planning a victory supper March 5 at Waxer's home when workers will report on card coverage.

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By SARAH THEAMAN
Our New York Correspondent

BRITAIN'S JEWISH LEADER AND FOREMOST PHILANTHROPIST CONFERS WITH TORONTONIANS

New York (CJN). — The talk of the town is last week's visit here, and in other parts of the United States, by the outstanding Jewish philanthropist of our time, Sir Isaac Wolfson. Sir Isaac traveled this time from coast to coast. Most of his interviews and conferences were devoted to what was uppermost in his mind: Jewish survival as "a kingdom of priests and a holy nation".

The British Jewish leader, now president of the United Synagogue, the *KEHILLA* of English Jewry, talked to the most outstanding leaders of North American Jewry. Among others, he invited for a conference a group of Canadian Jewish leaders, including Hy Bessin of Ottawa, John D. Fienberg, Meyer W. Gasner and Samuel J. Sable all of Toronto.

VERY IMPRESSED

Mr. Gasner, who headed the delegation was interviewed by a CJN reporter upon the conclusion of the luncheon-meeting with Sir Isaac, held at the Hotel Pierre.

"My colleagues and I," Mr. Gasner told the CJN correspondent, "have been very much impressed by Sir Isaac's understanding of contemporary Jewish problems here and overseas, his profound knowledge of the problems of the State of Israel and his keen analysis of the position of Jews throughout the world. We felt, during this conversation that we were facing a Jew dedicated to tradition, the builder of the famous religious center in Jerusalem, Hechal Shlomo.

"Once during our meeting when Mr. Wolfson opened a drawer to show us some documents, I couldn't help but notice a big, woolen talit and tefillin."

FROM 25,000 TO 1 BILLION

In fact, Mr. Gasner pointed out, Sir Isaac whose enterprises grew from $25,000 to $1,000 million) is the first president of the United Synagogue in England in seventy years who is an observant Jew. The last traditional Jew who headed the religious Jewish community of England was a Rothschild.

Israeli Brig. Gen. Haim Herzog, brother of Israel's Ambassador to Canada and son of the late Chief Rabbi of Israel, was present at this conference with Canadian Jewish leaders.

Incidentally Sir Isaac visited the United States just at the time when many Jewish leaders were discussing a new best seller: Dr. Arthur A. Cohen's "The Natural and the Supernatural Jew". Cohen charges in his book that, although American Jews love to preserve their "ethnic peculiarities" and "lingual eccentricities", they "divested themselves of that which they considered most noticeable, provocative and embarrassing, namely, their religion".

NO BUDGET IN EDUCATION

Sir Isaac's thoughts as expressed to the Canadian Jewish group and to other Jewish audiences sound like an answer to Dr. Cohen's challenge: Glasgow-born Sir Isaac Wolfson believes that the first duty of every Jewish community should be the securing of an opportunity for a full Jewish education, through day schools and other media. As he told Mr. Gaser, "There is no budget for Jewish education." According to Sir Isaac this means: The limitations of a budget do not exist when a Community faces its number one task, to create Jewish schools.

As we proceed with our historic activity for Jewish education in the spirit of our tradition, Sir Isaac continued, more funds will become available. The British philanthropist believes that Jewish education will get "a great lift" in our generation, both in quantity and in quality. In fact, Sir Isaac's brother, Mr. Charles Wolfson, only a few weeks ago set an example for all philanthropists to emulate. He contributed 250,000 English pounds ($700,000) to the new Carmel College in London.

INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN ISRAEL

Sir Isaac also discussed with the Canadian Jewish group the problems of Israel. As one of the leading businessmen in today's Europe, Sir Isaac believes in great business opportunities in the Holy Land. The Wolfson enterprises have important holdings not only in England, North America, but also in Israel. In fact, Sir Isaac told the Canadians, "in the last two years we made more money in Israel than in the U.S. and Canada combined."

Wolfson enterprises are now building a 32-storey skyscraper in Tel Aviv, with a million square feet of office space, at a cost of forty-million pounds, which will be the tallest building in the entire Near East.

Concluding his statement on Israel, Sir Isaac made the following observations:

● The greater the immigration into Israel, the greater the state. The greater the state, the greater the opportunities.

● Together with the physical and technical advance, we must secure its traditional Torah structure. Thus the Wolfson foundation is erecting fifty new synagogues in the new settlements. In the last years the foundation synagogues a year. This, in addition to the support and initiative in the field of Torah education such as yeshivot and the recently completed Chief Rabbi World Academy building in Jerusalem, named for the late Chief Rabbi Isaac Halevi Herzog.

HONORED BY NEW YORK CITY

Besides Hechal Shlomo, built by Sir Isaac in Jerusalem, which is the most important religious edifice in the Holy City and a world religious center, the new Chief Rabbi World Academy building is probably one of the most important accomplishments of the Wolfson Foundation.

In fact, Sir Isaac was honored here, in New York, by Mayor Robert Wagner for his role in consolidating Jewish tradition and holiness in the holy land.

During a special reception at Gracie Mansion, Sir Isaac was given the medallion of the City of New York. Mayor Wagner participated in 1956 in the groundbreaking ceremonies of the Chief Rabbi World Academy building and he expressed his happiness at the fact that this spiritual and educational center has been completed.

Thus New York has had the honor of receiving a new built at the average six new kind of a Jewish leader: modern, yet traditional; conscious of the role of Torah as the paramount factor in Jewish survival. Sir Isaac not only is a great Jew, one of the builders of Israel in both its industrial area and in the field of yeshivot and other spiritual endeavors. But he is also a great Englishman as well. Only recently he was honored by the University of Oxford. He built the new edifice for London's Royal College of Physicians, and is one of the trustees of the University of London, the others being the Duke of Edinborough and Sir Winston Churchill. Both Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein who is the president of the Jerusalem World Academy and Yaakov Herzog, Israel's Ambassador to Canada, who spoke at Gracie Mansion, stressed this synthesis of a Jew, a patriot of his native country, and a world citizen of which Sir Isaac is the personification.

SIR ISAAC WOLFSON
"No budget consideration when Jewish education is involved"

VISITOR. Sam Belzberg, left, 1963 campaign chairman of the United Jewish Appeal of Edmonton, visited Toronto last week for talks with Florence Hutner, right, director of the Joint National Committee on Community Services of the Canadian Jewish Congress and the Canadian Committee of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds.

MOSCOW JEW DISCOVERS NEW ANTI-CANCER CURE

MOSCOW (JCNS). — An important discovery by a Russian Jewish scientist, Professor Lev Silber, which may greatly contribute towards the cure of cancer, was announced at a meeting of Russian medical specialists held in Leningrad last week. Prof. Silber is a member of the Soviet Academy of Medical Sciences.

According to a Moscow broadcast Professor Silber's discovery is "of tremendous theoretical and practical importance". It offers, the statement said, a possibility of obtaining even more accurate and detailed knowledge about the mechanism of virus multiplication. Further, it will also contribute to the definition of the "concept of life with greater precision".

Prof. Lev Silber himself announced to the gathering that he believed the discovery he has made will help in the treatment of the virus origin of cancerous tumours.

CLEVELAND GIVES OVER 6 M. TO UJA

CLEVELAND, Ohio — The highest goal in the history of the Cleveland Jewish Welfare Fund Appeal — $6,036,000—has been set this year, it was announced by Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld, general chairman of the campaign. The 1962 campaign realized the record total of $5,828,487.

Stress in solicitation is being placed on the needs of obtaining $706,000 in plus money. This extra giving, according to the campaign leadership, is necessary to make up for the losses due to death, removals from the city, and other causes and to provide some additional support for certain essential local and national services.

Rabbi Lelyveld termed the record goal an achievable sum and reported than an encouraging beginning had been made at several pace-setting Initial Gifts sessions.

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MYSTERY MAN WHO MEETS TRAINS NOW IN TORONTO

THIS IS A REPORT FROM THE FIELD. IT WAS WRITTEN BY A SENIOR OFFICIAL OF THE JEWISH AGENCY — WHO WAS TRAVELLING ABROAD TO OBSERVE PROGRAMS FOR WHICH UNITED JEWISH APPEAL FUNDS ARE DISBURSED.

As he saunters along the station platform in his dark suit and conservative tie he looks no different from scores of other men who have come to this busy terminal to catch an early morning train or maybe to pick up his wife and kids returning home from vacation. Only the station personnel and the porters know that he comes here every morning to meet the same train. Few, if any, realize that from here he will dash over to another terminal or out to the airport to meet other trains and planes.

This apparently ordinary man on an extraordinary mission is on call seven days a week, twenty-four hours a day. In the dry language of organizational charts, he is the local director of the Jewish Agency's Immigration Office. But for the immigrants themselves, he is a symbol of care and concern, the personification of the promise that things will be better from now on

Under present conditions, the Jewish Agency never knows in advance how many immigrants will arrive by any given plane or train at this first lap on their way to Israel. So, the man in the dark suit plays a game with himself as he stands waiting at the station: "I bet there will be twenty today, thirty fifty, a hundred." Then he thinks of the lined and anxious faces he has seen day after day, the stories of people who have waited for years to board that train, the suffering, the many disappointed hopes; and in his heart is a prayer: "Make it a hundred today, Lord. For the sake of these people make it more than a hundred."

The man at the station knows that he is praying for trouble. Since the immigrants must be screened and trans-shipped as quickly as possible, a hundred immigrants or more means a scramble for transportation facilities, a mad rush to feed people, clear papers, have them medically examined, collect and ship their meager possessions. But these Jews have to get out from where they are now and nothing else counts. Somehow, one man will do the work of three and one dollar the work of five. This is how Israel was born, this is how Jews will continue to come to Israel if need be.

The train thunders into the station and the man in the dark suit hurries towards it. It is all right now to hurry for everybody else does too. He scans face after face at the open windows, picking out 'his' people without having to be told who they are. He knows them by their faces, the anxious look, the uncertain movements. He reaches up to help lift down scuffed suitcases and babies who seem too astonished to cry. He helps oldsters down the steps and shakes hands held out to him in a mute question. "Sholem Alechem" he says over and over again, quietly but with a warmth that makes faces light up and eyes brim over.

ZVI GARCY
The man who meets the trains

As he moves about quickly, directing the porters and shepherding his little group towards the waiting bus, he keeps up a lively chatter to ease this first moment of strangeness, apprehension and tearful joy. He tells a shy youngster that he is just what Israel's soccer teams need; fondles a baby; compliments a little old lady on her locks; and generally seems to be in ten places at once.

As they move along towards the exit, the immigrants begin to pour out their hearts to him. It is as if they had to spill everything at once to this man who has given them their first "Sholem Alechem", the first sign of care and reunion with their Jewish brothers in another world. Does he know what they have been through?

He knows, but he lets them tell it all over again because it is only through the telling that the past begins to lose some of its terror. Then, gradually, a face will light up in a tentative smile and a quiet voice will say: "But we are happy now. We are on our way to Israel."

The immigrants board the bus and the man in the dark suit hurries across town to another railroad terminal. Yet before he leaves, he promises to meet them later in the day at the clearing center which — irony of history — is only a few steps from the spot from which the death transports used to pass. Soon, from this street of gruesome memories, these Jews will leave for Israel.

The bus pulls out and the man in the dark suit swings his car into the early morning rush hour traffic. How many immigrants at that other station? There may not be a single one there today. There may not be a single one at the airfield later in the afternoon. Yet he will come back to that train and to that airfield as long as Jews will be on the move to Israel.

The man in the dark suit does not like to see his name in print. But some members of the annual Jewish Appeal study missions have seen him, or his counterpart at some time, and every single one has come away from this deeply stirring experience convinced that American Jewry can and must provide the means to keep such men on the job.

HUMAN RELATIONS

In-Law Trouble

DR. ROSE N. FRANZBLAU

QUESTION: During our 20 years of marriage I haven't had one peaceful moment from my mother-in-law.

The last blow-up came after a dinner at her house. I invited her to visit us. She said she would let me know when they could come.

The next day I came down with a virus. She called during this time to complain about my husband, who hadn't called her. I explained that he had to take care of everything while I was sick. Seeing how unreasonable she was, I excused myself and went back to bed. I haven't spoken to her since.

This incident happened in October. My husband still calls, and she always complains about me. My father-in-law still calls on the QT because she censors his calls. My son, 17 doesn't like her behavior to me.

My daughter is having her 14th birthday party and my husband begged his mother to come.

Meanwhile, my father-in-law called on the sly, asking that I invite her. My daughter thinks my mother-in-law's behavior is shameful. I don't want my children involved with a woman who hates me so.

Isn't it enough if my husband calls to invite her?

ANSWER: In any relationship, including marriage, both parties contribute to the peace or tensions that prevail. True, one may be the initiator of the quarrels that take place, but if they become routine, the other wants it that way.

The sweet, long-suffering one is often the indirect instigator, supplying the cause, while the other one merely gets the fight rolling.

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Sometimes the person blamed for all the dissention is only a substitute for the real target. One can say to an in-law what one cannot say to one's own mate.

When one of a married couple behaves this way, the other one may take part in the drama and act out the role of mediator.

Perhaps what perturbs you most is the devotion of your husband to his mother despite your unhappiness with her.

This makes you feel that he was never altogether your man. You have played up the rivalry by belittling and finding fault with your mother-in-law, hoping to win out and have your husband side with you.

Those who are being hurt most by the constant quibbling and fighting among the grownups are your two children.

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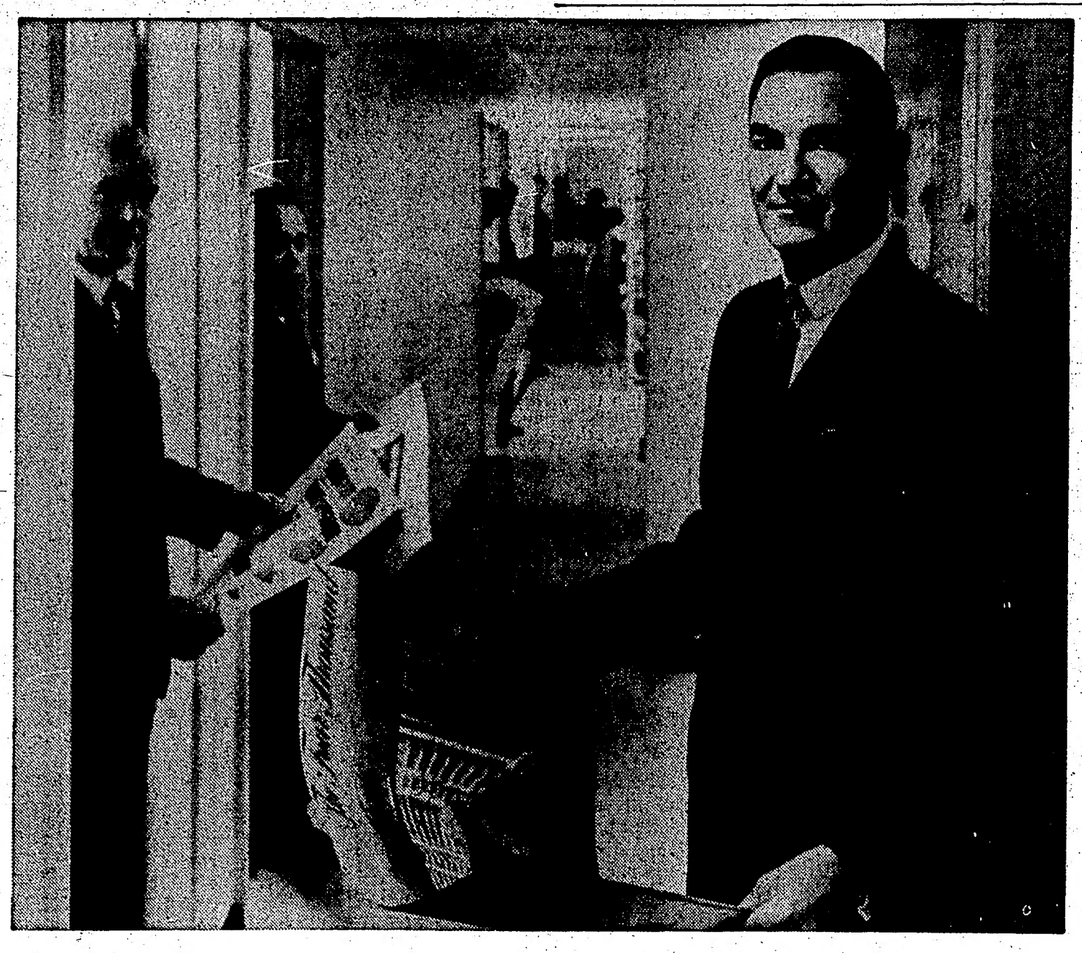
Every youngster wants and needs the sense of continuity and belonging the grandparents could give.

Self-centered as your mother-in-law is, if she were permitted to perform as a grandmother you might see a much more considerate and affectionate person.

With age often comes an inability to change one's way. As a younger person, it might therefore be easier for you to make the overtures for a reconciliation. It will not belittle you to make the call and invite her personally. Such an act can only give you added stature with your children and, perhaps most important, with yourself.



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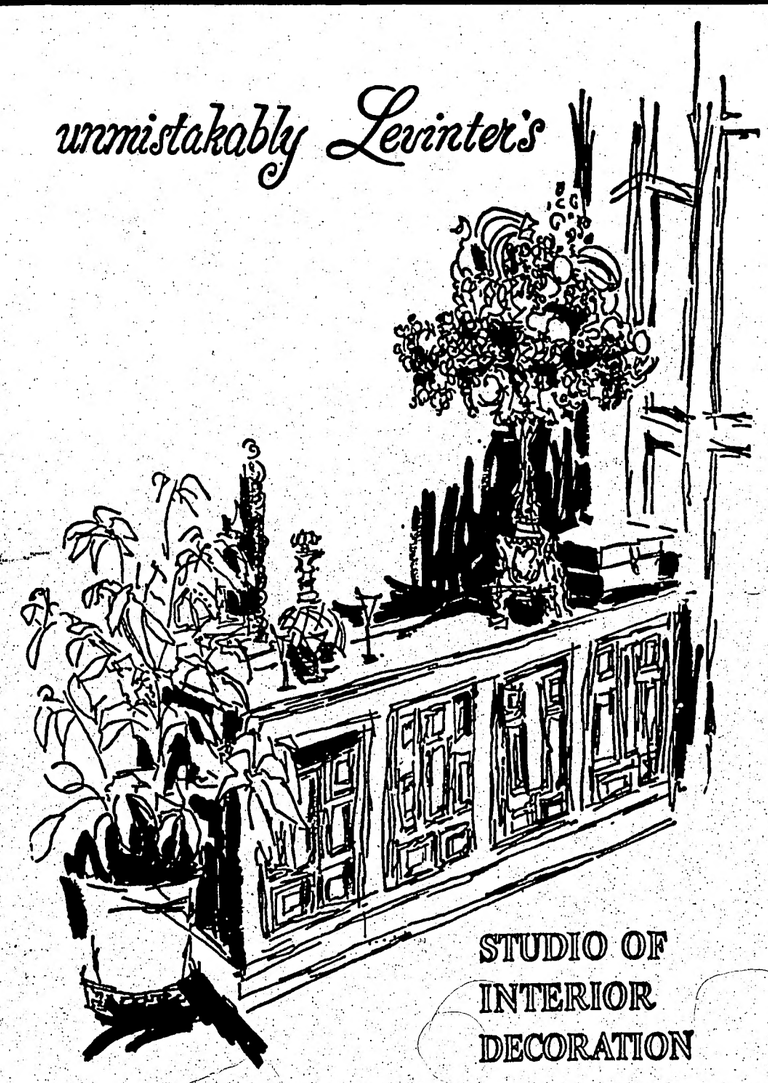

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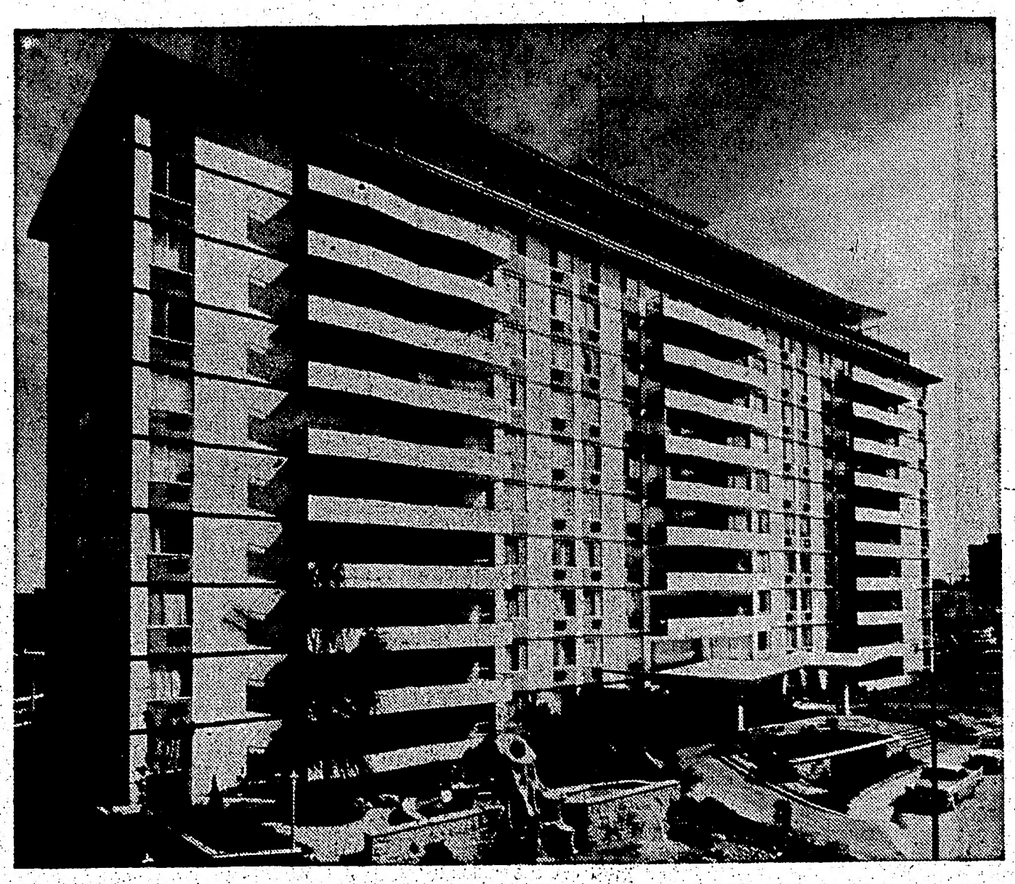

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RELIGION IN SCHOOLS

NORTH YORK CLERGY HEAD QUITS

A North York Protestant clergyman has resigned as a teacher of religion in the public schools of that Township. The clergyman is Karl J. Schweder, minister of the Lutheran Church of St. Luke on Bayview Avenue in Willowdale. He also happens to be President of the North York Ministerial Association.

The motivation for his rejection of religious education in the public schools is that he feels religious faith should be a strongly held personal conviction. Under the circumstances that prevail in a public school classroom because of the universal nature of school, its tax-supported basis, this kind of intensely felt religion has no place. The alternate kind of teaching — what he calls the "bland courses of religious instruction" that are of necessity given, he feels cannot be of much value.

He stresses that if teachers were professing Christians it could be only by their quiet example in the classrooms that "many boys and girls would be encouraged to accept the uplifting way of life in Christ." But formal teaching he rejects, as the public school does not and cannot have the appropriate atmosphere for "this kind of approach".

ALGERIA

BEN BELLA & HIS PROMISES

News of interference with Jewish communal and religious buildings in Algeria comes as no surprise.

The nature and orientation of the Algerian rebels from the very start made it quite obvious that whatever major historical trends might be entailed this particular wind of change would blow ill for Algerian Jewry.

Whatever assurances of tolerance were made from time to time by Nationalist leaders to allay Jewish fears, the pessimists proved to be the realists and resurgent Islam has shown itself as intolerant as ever. The argument that those Jews remaining in Algeria could be assured of French protection has also been proved misleading — as had been warned — since the French have so many preoccupations where Algeria is concerned and limited power and facilities.

Life has to go on; the community must do its best through legal and official channels to salvage what it can, while recognising their limited efficacy with regimes like Ahmed Ben Bella's. The majority of Algerian Jews, who cut their losses and left while the going was good, have been proven right; it seems that there may be more losses yet to be cut before the episode is finally closed.

THE CBC AND ARCAND

ANTISEMITISM AND BROADCASTING

Since the recent controversy in the press and other quarters, concerning the taped interview with Adrien Arcand questions have been asked about what is the policy of the CBC and Canadian broadcasting in general regarding the dissemination of bigotry and anti-Semitism on the airways. Some feel the radio and television stations are, like the press, free to disseminate every variety of opinion including that of the anti-Semite, and are to be guided only by the dictates of conscience, discretion and good taste. Others believe that if regulations do not exist then they certainly should be enacted to curb expressions of race hatred. What are the facts? The Broadcasting Act, as amended in 1959, actually does carry a regulation (affecting both the CBC and private stations alike) that covers this point. Section 5, subsection 1 b, says that: **"No station or network operator shall broadcast any abusive comment or abusive pictorial representation on any race, religion or creed ..."**

This makes it clear that it is the intention of the Board of Broadcast Governors to see to it that public telecommunication should not be used for the spreading of bigotry. The question remains: how to define what constitutes "abusive comment" or "abusive pictorial representation". What may appear greatly abusive to one viewer can be viewed by another as merely an objective, detached interpretation. Would it cover, for instance, the kind of grotesque image of Fagin which appeared in the J. Arthur Rank version of Oliver Twist fourteen years ago? Would it apply to the remarks of a hate-monger like Adrien Arcand, though he garb his comment in "ideological" garments?

On the general subject of censorship of the air, it is interesting to note that the only subjects specified as taboo in the Broadcasting Act are programs on birth control and venereal disease. These must be "presented in a manner and at a time approved ... as appropriate to the medium of broadcasting."

DANGER FOR JERUSALEM

COMMON MARKET AND ISRAEL

Israel's prospects of reaching some form of association with the European Common Market, never very bright, faded almost completely last month with the French rejection of British membership.

A series of talks held in Paris between Mr. Israel Gal-Ed, a senior official of the Israeli Ministry of Finance, and leading French officials, including M. O. Wormser, Director for Economic Affairs at the Quai d'Orsay, appears to have removed whatever Israeli optimism there had been.

If there is to be any change at all in the situation as it affects Israel, the indications are that this change will be detrimental. The vehemence with which France slammed the door on Britain precludes it being reopened to an arrangement with Israel, certainly at the present time, diplomats in Paris indicate.

The most the Israelis can expect when talks are resumed in Brussels is a restatement of the November offer of a limited arrangement permitting the entry into Common Market countries of a small range of Israeli products and in small quantities.

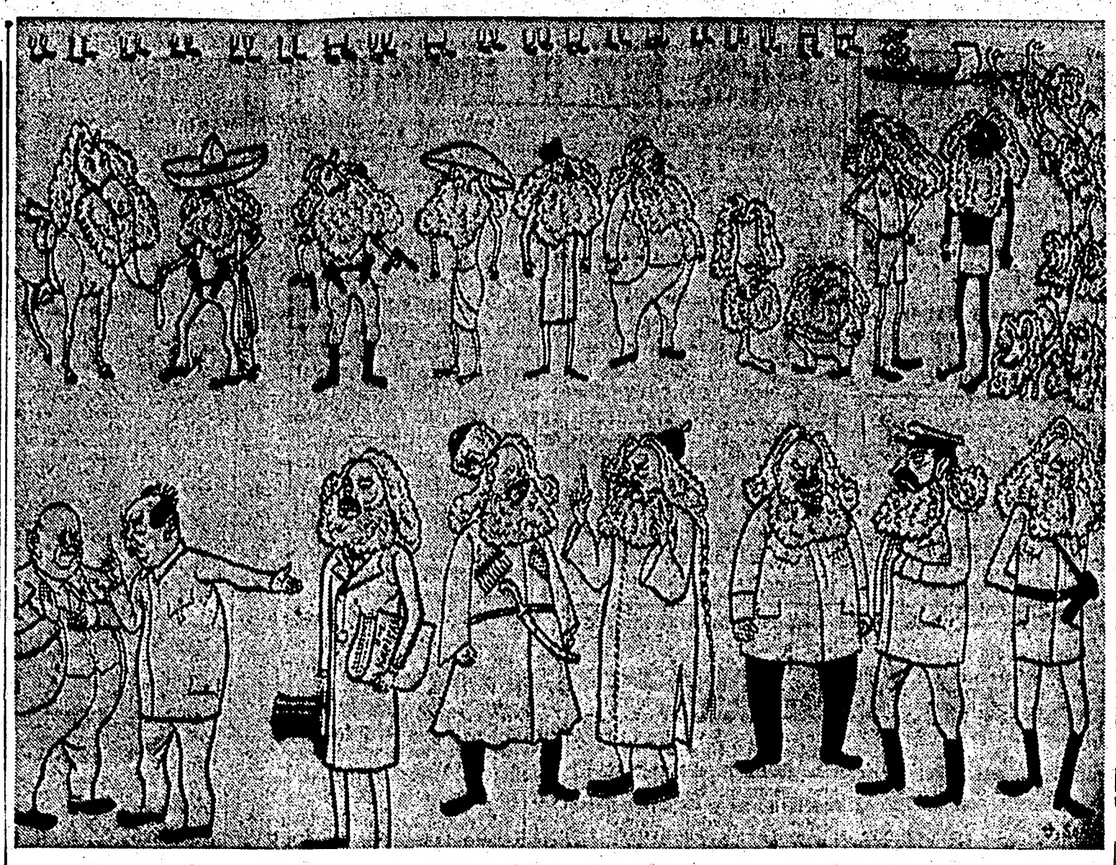
Already the effects of the difference between the outer tariff which has to be paid on Israeli products being imported into the Common Market and the vanishing tariffs which are being paid on products imported into Germany from France, is being felt.

Israeli exporters have received demands from their commercial partners within the Common Market to agree to lower prices in order to make up for the higher customs which have to be paid on their products.

However, in Britain's discomfiture there is some relief for Israel. Her second largest customer has been excluded from the Market and thus remains open as a trading partner. British imports from Israel last year were worth $37 million, a figure exceeded only by the United States, which took $42 million worth of Israeli goods.

There is some hope, too, that the Common Market countries will refuse to isolate themselves economically from Israel. For instance, an Italian financial and economic mission left last month for Israel to study the possibilities of increasing trade. With the other countries of the Market there are economic ties stretching back to the establishment of the State. There is also the not unimportant point that Israel herself imported about $180 million worth of goods from Common Market countries in 1961.

As matters stand now the prospects are that while Israel will not reach an acceptable over-all agreement with the Common Market as an entity, there is individual good will in each of the member-countries towards the retention of trade links with the Jewish State.



Quarrel Among Big Brothers

MAO TO NIKITA: Well, once and for all, Nicky dear friend, let's settle it who is the true Marxist. First, there was **himself** — Karl Marx, the Jew. Then there is your Marxism (Russian brand) and my Chinese Marxism. Then Marxism-Leninism, Marxism-Trotskyism, Castro-Marxism, Vietnam-Marxism, Indonesian-Marxism, French Marxism, Tito's Marxism, Israeli Marxism etc.

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A CJN REPORT

By our U. N. Correspondent

Klutznick Warns: Conflict Jerusalem-Washington Possible

NEW YORK (JCNS). — "It is my conclusion that the State of Israel and its personnel have matured and grown rapidly both in their understanding and in their performance in the international arena," said Mr. Philip Klutznick, the former B'nai B'rith President and former member of the American delegation at the U.N. Economic and Social Commission. He was speaking at the annual dinner here of B'nai Zion, the American fraternal Zionist Organisation, as guest of honour of the organisation.

"The American - Jewish community, on the other hand, seems to be floundering", he said. "We are still trying to understand our role within our own community and in our relationship with Israel and other Jewish communities of the world..."

REGIONAL TENSIONS

Mr. Klutznick went on to say:

"There is an enormous reaction in our Jewish community when incidents involved in American-Israel relationships arise. Therefore, trying to anticipate and to understand this relationship may be the very key to an accelerated maturity, as well as a more effective role for the American Jewish community. By now we know that regional tensions like those in the Middle East are more difficult, if not impossible, of solution so long as the struggle between the West and the East is unresolved or unstabilised. There is just too much room for competition for temporary favours sought and granted by competing sides to permit solid and lasting solutions."

AMBASSADOR KLUTZNICK who resigned from the U.N. because of reported disagreements with Kennedy on American policy towards Israel.

He then pointed out that Israel, although voting most frequently with the U.S.A. also "acts as she should in what she considers her own best interest," and this was also true of America, neither of which was a satellite of the other.

The Israel-Arab situation was not unique, as far as the U.S.A. was concerned, he said. The U.S.A. maintained good relations with both Pakistan and India despite Kashmir, and had the same relations with Indonesia and the Netherlands despite West Irian.

MOMENTARY DIFFERENCES

Although it was dangerous to prophesy, Mr. Klutznick said, he nevertheless mentioned some "areas that in the future could bring about momentary or ephemeral differences between the U.S. and Israel, even with as friendly and understanding an Administration as that headed by President Kennedy." He cited among others:

Frontier incidents and the right of any state to defend itself from actual and threatened aggression; and the refugee problem, which both Israel and the U.S. would like to see solved, although "sovereign states cannot afford generosity if other vital interests are seriously and adversely affected."

BASIC TEST

But these great matters did not provide the basic test of Israel-American relationships; the real question was: "Will a great power help a relatively new and struggling small state to maintain its independence and sovereignty if its security is endangered, and will it help that state overcome an adverse economic balance so that it can escape national poverty?"

"In these matters of life and death," Mr. Klutznick emphasised, "I speak with complete conviction: the independence and security of Israel are an element of the U.S.A.'s foreign policy.... In recent months it passed the acid test. The U.S.A. has never provided major arms assistance to Israel.... When the President openly and frankly conceded that there was a prospect of perilous change in the delicate balance of military power in the Middle East, he ordered that Israel be permitted to purchase 'Hawk' missiles."

ONLY IN AMERICA

by HARRY GOLDEN

N.Y. Newspaper Strike

When I sold newspapers in New York (1914-1917), I shouted, "Journal, World, Mail, Globe, Telegram, Sun." There were four other afternoon dailies including the Post, which then was a financial paper. But we all shouted the big six, because you could make one word out of Journalworldmailglobetelegramsun.

There were six morning papers. There were eleven foreign language journals. Some of the German, Yiddish, and Italian papers had daily circulations of over 100,000. The population of New York then was slightly over five million.

Today the population of New York is eight million and there are only three evening papers and four morning papers; and what's left of the foreign-language press is breathing its last.

And now the New York press has been completely silenced by a strike of the linotype operators whose picket lines have been honored by the men and women of the other departments.

An insider tells me that in the end there will be only two evening papers left in New York produced by the mechanical departments of two remaining morning papers.

Well, this is a serious matter, is it not? Actually the demand for a wage increase is superficial. At stake is a more profound issue, the same the country over, in shipping, freight-handling, textiles, steel, coal, automobile tobacco, and other industries. The issue is really man's eternal struggle against the machine his attempt to prevent the machine from pre-empting his role as the worker.

But let us look at the other side of the coin. Let us consider the publishers who will fold up when they keep losing money. How can they continue? Why should they continue? There are, after all, thousands of print shops which can absorb displaced printers, but what will happen to thousands of men and women in the news rooms? What will happen to the space salesmen? What will happen to the girls who file the classified ads? not to mention the fellows who sell and deliver the newspapers?

Is there any moral argument really to justify a fireman who has spent 20 years riding diesels and never stoked an engine? Will he not be more corrupted, more cynical than ever if he were unemployed?

The unions, it seems to me, are wasting their energies on a delaying action in which they must inevitably lose ground. Their time and energies and money might be better spent on social action for legislation and government programs for workers displaced by machines; for automation will come just as sure as the car came and put drovers out of business.

The result of this strike, obscured by other issues which don't fill a lunch pail, is that there will be fewer newspapers in New York and consequently fewer jobs, but getting paid for producing only waste is not the answer. The answer lies in the facts of life we discovered in the 1930's — the need for ever greater government participation in the vast industrial urban complex of mid-twentieth-century America.

KEEP SMILING

KNOWS IT ALL

Felix Rosenstein was hailed before the magistrate in Berlin. The charge against him was that while sitting in a cafe he maligned the government.

"I was discussing the Communists, not the Nazis," protested Rosenstein.

"Don't resort to alibis, Jew," shouted the prosecuting attorney. "The protocol of your case states that you used the words murderers, scoundrels, and incendiaries. We know exactly whom you meant."

THE DELIVERER

Max Kerstner and his little son passed by Hitler's statue in Berlin.

"Who's this man?" asked the child.

"This man, this man.....," drawled Kerstner. "Why, son, you should know; he is our liberator. He relieved us of our chains — your mother of her gold chain and me of my expensive watch chain."

NOT AGAIN

Joseph Chamberlain, renowned British statesman, was discussing with Dr. Theodore Herzl, founder of the Zionist movement, the feasibility of a Jewish state in East Africa. Dr. Herzl was impressed. Finally Chamberlain pointed to a section in Egypt which Great Britain would be ready to cede to the Jewish people.

"Egypt?" queried Dr. Herzl. "My people would surely not hear of it. We have already been there."

LETTERS

THANKS CJN

Dear Editor:

A week or so ago there appeared in your paper an article entitled, "Adath Israel On Top," written by Reuben Alexander of Chicago. This column was devoted entirely to Adath Israel's participation at the recent National USY Convention in Chicago. I and the USY'ers were moved very much to read such a column in praise of our position as a USY chapter and, on behalf of Adath Israel USY, I should like to thank you for printing the column as it was quite a boon to our synagogue.

ALAN APPLEBAUM

SERMON OF THE WEEK

DIVINE JUDGMENTS

At the beginning of this century a great stir was made in theological thinking by the discovery, at Susa (the ancient Shushan), of the Code of Hammurabi who was King of Babylon about 1700 B.C.E. In view of its seeming superficial similarities with the Torah legislation, and because of its antiquity, this Code was at first thought by some scholars to have been the source that had influenced the laws of Moses.

Yet there is no historical evidence that the Canaanites of ancient Palestine knew or accepted the Hammurabi Code; and the similarities between the Code and the Torah are now thought to stem from the fact that the two systems were set in a culture background common to both. On the other hand, the differences between the two are recognised to be basic and unbridgeable. For while the Hammurabi Code is in fact a codification, in large measure, of law and custom as it existed at that time, with the purely secular authority of the king, the Torah reflects the will of God throughout all its laws, ritual and secular, and sets down new and even revolutionary standards in the relationship both between man and God, and between man and man.

Of especial interest in this connection are the Torah laws about the humane treatment of slaves who were always to be regarded as persons with human rights. Our Sidra lays down the first principle that the slave is in any case to go free after six years' service. If, however, the man, of his own volition, chose to remain in slavery rather than take his place as a free man, saying: "I love my master ...", then, having made his declaration before Judges, he was to be taken to the doorpost of the house, where all who pass by might see, and his ear was to be pierced with an awl, so that he would bear for all time the mark of his voluntary enslavement. And even this poor creature, according to rabbinic interpretation, was forced to accept his freedom when the Jubilee Year arrived. Slavery was to be regarded as an inferior status, in opposition to the will of God who had proclaimed the ideal of freedom. Thus, discussing the question of why the ear was selected for this branding, the rabbis explained: "This ear which heard Me proclaim on Mount Sinai 'For unto Me the Children of Israel are servants,' and yet its owner went and procured another master — let it be pierced'."

What a different attitude is revealed in the Hammurabi Code! There the master's ownership of the slave was complete. The name was tattooed on the slave's arm to ensure that he would not run away; if he succeeded in running away he was returnable, and a reward payable to the captor. Hammurabi gave formal enactment to the accepted norms and customs of that society; the Torah sought to revolutionise those ways on the basis of a spirit of justice and freedom, laying down the pattern for the future Israel that would establish itself in time to come on the relic ous foundation of Sinai. The one is man's handiwork; the other bears the mark of the Divine.

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TELETHON PLANNERS — Shown at a recent luncheon which planned "Operation Telethon" for the Women's Division of the United Jewish Appeal are - from left: Mrs. Jacob Finkelman, associate chairman; Mrs. Harry Shapiro, associate chairman; Mrs. John Devor, general chairman of the Women's Division; and Mrs. Harold Siegel, a telethon supervisor.

OPERATION TELETHON IN FULL SWING

Preparations have been completed for "Operation Telethon" a new campaign technique of the Women's Division, United Jewish Appeal of Toronto, which will take place this Sunday, February 24, and next Sunday, March 3, it was announced by Mrs. Wolfe Goldberg, chairman.

A luncheon introducing the new method of solicitation was held Wednesday at Shaarei Tefillah Synagogue for 100 volunteers.

The aim of "Operation Telethon" is to cut down on tiring and time-consuming door-to-door canvassing by using concentrated telephone solicitation, Mrs. Goldberg explained. The telephoning will be done from the King and Yonge St. building of the Toronto-Dominion Bank where women volunteers will put in two hours each beween 10.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m.

"Cards have been mailed to past contributors in the Women's Division general canvass asking them to hold the line open for a call during those hours," Mrs. Goldberg said. "This is a momentous campaign for Jews all over the world and I hope we will be able to secure increased pledges from everyone."

Acting as supervisors during the canvass will be Kay Perlmutter and the Mesdames I. Bell, Pearl Dover, David Gould, M. H. Greenspan, J. Gross, G. Killan, J. Levenson, H. Orliffe, W. Pape, Sarah Polan, A. W. Platt, M. Schwartz, Harold Siegel, William Siegel, Murray Silver, A. G. Volpe and J. C. Zacks.

MAINLY ABOUT WOMEN

By ESTHER ZELDIN

● **National Council of Jewish Women** honored its "angels" at a reception in the home of **Mrs. Mark Shawn.** Members contributing $100 worth of goods or cash to the thrift ship are "angels" Thrift shop proceeds support the Good Age Clubs ,services for physically and mentally handicapped and the new Council House of Service scheduled to be opened on November 1st, 1963.

Mrs. S. S. Berlin, president of Toronto Section, announced that additional Good Age Clubs are contemplated for the **Downsview** and **Eglint°n** areas.

Mrs. M. Mandel won a Mary Korolnek ball gown. A scholarship card was presented to **Mary Korolnek.**

Mrs. Irving Appleby is chairman of the forthcoming ball committee. Other members include: **Dr. Reva Gerstein,** honorary chairman; **Mrs. Harry Eisen Jr.,** deputy chairman; **Mrs. Haskel Masters, Mrs. S. Berlin,** patrons; **Mrs. Allan Rosenthal, Mrs. Bert Winberg,** chairmen, Cinderella project; **Mrs. A. Naiman,** angels' lunch; **Mrs. Walter Zwig, Mrs. Mark Shawn,** publicity; **Mrs. Paul Rothstein,** recording secretary; **Miss Jean Goldman,** office co-ordinator; **Mrs. Coleman Bernstein,** ball credits; **Mrs. Harold Strom,** thrift shop; **Mrs. I. Singer,** vice president, ways & means; **Mrs. Morris Vigoda,** vice president, thrift shop; **Mrs. I. Kushnir,** contact.

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● A panel discussion will be presented at the initial meeting of the newly formed **Beth Sholom Mildred Arnoff Memorial School Home and School Association** on Tuesday, March 19th, in the auditorium. Topic will be: Jewish Education — A Tradition — An obligation — A challenge.

Participants will be **Rabbi David Monson, Julius Sokoloff, William Crocker,** chairman.

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● **Barbara Koffler,** daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. Casper Koffler,** was chosen sweetheart of **B'nai B'rith Youth Organization** at the annual sweetheart Ball in the Regency Towers Hotel.

— The 18 contestants represented groups from **Peterborough, London, Kitchener, Buffalo, Rochester, Niagara Falls** and **Toronto.**

They were judged for participation in **B'nai B'rith** as well as for poise, charm, personality and appearance.

Judges were: North York councillor, **Irving Paisley;** Miss Toronto, **Carol Anne Balmer; Johnny Essaq,** sportscaster, B.B.Y.O. director, Southern Ontario Region, **Harold Smith; Mrs. Alan Lavine,** program chairman.

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● A musical program, "Songs of our People", sparked the **Adath Israel Sisterhood's** recent meeting in honor of Jewish Music Month. Featured performers were: **Edith Gold,** pianist; **Edith Silver,** vocalist; the **Mark Stone Trio** which presented a program of Jewish and Hebrew folksongs.

Winners of the Tu B'Shvat contest conducted in the congregational school received prizes from **Bess Starr.**

A kiddush cup was presented by **Belle Taft** to **Estelle Mayzel** to mark the bar mitzvah of the latter's son.

Mrs. M. Siegal reviewed the history of Tu B'Shvat. **Goldie Kay** presided, **Irene Applebaum** was mistress of ceremonies.

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● "Government Aid to Day Schools" was topic of a panel discussion at the **Shaarei Shomayim Sisterhood's** February meeting.

Participants included: **Dr. J. Diamond,** director, Jewish Board of Education; **Heinz Warschauer,** director, Holy Blossom Religious School; and the moderator, **Rabbi Dr. Walter S. Wurzburger.**

Mrs. Ted Waldman welcomed the guests. **Mrs. Manny Spring** pronounced the invocation and **Mrs. Sam Mandel** introduced the panelists. Head table guests included: **Rabbi Wurzburger, Dr. Diamond, Mr. Warschauer, Mrs. Waldman, Mrs. Mandel, Mrs. Spring, Mrs. Jenny Basser, Mrs. Lou Kernerman** and **Mrs. Bert Halbert.**

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● **Alouette Chapter, B'nai B'rith,** will hold its annual tea on Sunday, February 24th, in the home of **Mrs. Aaron Wolfe.**

Receiving the guests will be the president, **Mrs. H. Shulman,** and the conveners, **Mrs. S. Hart** and **Mrs. L. Frieberg.**

Presiding at the tea table will be: **Mrs. Egmont Frankel, Mrs. Saul S. Berlin, Mrs. Julius Breslin, Dr. Reva Gerstein, Mrs. Alexander Lipson, Mrs. Mark Levy, Mrs. Joseph Kardish, Mrs. Robert Strom** and **Mrs. Helen Stork.**

Among the door prizes will be a weekend for two at the Concord Hotel.

● **Mrs. S. Kartz** was honored at a meeting of **Galila Club, Pioneer Women,** in the home of **Mrs. H. Rubenstein. Mrs. M. Mutenko** presented her with a book.

An outline of Tu B'Shvat was given by **Mrs. S. Silverberg.** Conveners of the coming dinner are: **Mrs. F. Brock, Mrs. D. Greenberg** and **Mrs. M. Neiger.**

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● **Minnie Etlin Chapter, Mizrachi-Hapoel Hamizrachi,** tendered a luncheon-meeting presided over by **Mrs. J. Ross** in the home of **Mrs. Israel Senders.**

Funds were collected for the organization's new building in Israel.

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● **The national Council of Jewish Women of Canada** recently held a two-day training institute for its national leaders in the Education Center. The theme focused on field service.

Consultant was **Mrs. Paul D. David** of White Plains, N.Y., chairman of the National Field Service Committee for the United States National Council of Jewish Women.

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● Films of Israel were shown recently at a meeting of **Golda Meir Club, Pioneer Women. Mrs. M. Manson** presided; **Mrs. B. Borovoy** was the evening's hostess.

The films were by courtesy of **Myron Tobias,** son of **Mr. and Mrs. H. Tobias.**

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● Members of **Etzion Chapter, Mizrachi-Hapoel Hamizrachi,** reviewed plans for their Purim party at a fund-raising meeting in the home of **Mrs. Klingman.**

The party is scheduled for Saturday, March 9th, in the home of **Mrs. J. Spodek.**

The president, **Mrs. L. Rosenfield,** won the raffle donated by the hostess.

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● **Rabbi S. Gold** was guest speaker at a meeting of the **Clanton Park Sisterhood,** conducted by **Mrs. M. Neuberger.**

A project report was given by **Mrs. S. Hofstedter.** Hostesses were **Mrs. D. Caplan** and **Mrs. M. Lazar. Mrs. P. Fraenkel** was appointed tribute card convener for the **Dolly Edell Memorial Library.**

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● **Tu B'Shat** was, celebrated by members of **Club 1, Pioneer Women** ,and their husbands at a recent gathering. **Mrs. D. Reiter** presided. Guest speaker was **Samuel Yolleck. Mrs. N. Lovinsky** outlined the meaning of Tu B'Shvat.

J.N.F. certificates were presented to: **Esther Cohen, Pearl Foreman, Libba Jessel, Bessie Kates, Haika Lovensky, Anne Nightingale, Yetta Petroff, Sarah Rusonik, Raiska Sadoff, Yetta Straff, Goldie Talsky** and **Shifra Wasser.**

● On Sunday, March 3rd, at 2:30 p.m., the **North Bathurst Talmud Torah P.T.A.** will sponsor a children's movie in the Talmud Torah auditorium.

● Israeli singer, **Malka Himmel,** and guitarist, **Eli Kassner,** were featured at a **Jewish Music Month Concert** presented by the **B'nai B'rith Youth Organization** and the **Jewish Public Library** in the library.

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● Demonstrations and limbo dancing highlighted a dance held by **Rachel Chapter, Hadassah.**

Mrs. Larry Band is president. **Mrs. Jerry Bloom** was chairman of the committee of arrangements.

● **Mrs. Jacob Benglo** has been elected president of the **Petah Tikva Anshei Castilla Sisterhood,** the women's group of the Sephardic Congregation organized among former Jewish residents of Spanish Morocco who have made their homes in Toronto during the past few years.

The **Sisterhood,** whose membership now numbers 50, is sponsoring a Purim dance at 471 Lawrence Avenue West on Saturday evening, March 2, and a Children's Purim Party at 80 d'Arcy Street on Sunday afternoon, March 3.

The group, which meets twice a month, has an extensive program of activities, including adult educational programs, social gatherings, fund raising events, children's social events in connection with religious festivals.

Other officers elected are: **Mrs. Jack Benlolo,** vice president; **Mrs. M. Benmergui,** secretary; **Mrs. Joe Bitton,** treasurer; Mesdames **James Laredo, Louis White, Isaac Benguaish, Harry Bernstein,** and **Isaac Pinto,** executive members.

It's All In How You Look At It

By RUTHIE

Last week I discussed a phase of my dieting. But, as all good physical culturists and dieticians claim, what's a diet without calisthenics? Without exercises you can look, at best, like a deflated balloon.

So, being hep on every newfangled idea, yours truly decided to exercise too. According to the experts all I needed was, maybe, twenty or thirty minutes a day to be limber and beautiful. Okay, there's a good TV program on every morning devoted to just that. I'd leave bedmaking for later.

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Let me tell you something, I may look better but, after three weeks, I feel like a twisted pretzel. *Nisht fahr dir gedakht* (not wishing it on you), my knees creak everytime I bend them, my fingers crack, I've got charley-horse all over, my derriere feels sore when I sit down and when I cross my legs sometimes I can't uncross them.

Of coure, I can't contradict my instructor. It wouldn't be ethical. If *he* says I should feel wonderful and raring to go after a session of exercises, then that's how I should feel. But, a *zah yur oif ihm* (such a year on him)!

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First of all, he starts off saying there are only so many weeks left till spring. And don't we want to look svelte when we shed our winter clothes? Right then and there I hate him because he gives me a time limit. As if I already haven't enough pressures!

Sometimes he begins the program by cheerfully commanding,

"Now, kids, lie down on your mat, ready for the 'bicycle' ".

One-two-three, just like that! The thing is, by the time it takes me to get flat on my back, he's through with the motions twenty times. Then getting up is murder. How does he do it in one count? I have to roll over on my knees first (picture that, if you can), then grab the arm of a chair for support, and finally pull myself up, one foot following the other. By that time I'm ready to drop.

My special nemesis is the exercise of touching the right toe with the left hand and vice versa — without bending the knees. Never mind the creaking of my back, never mind the pain in my side; what gets me is the grunt I emit with each downward pull. That completes my caricature of an elephant in action. After two such movements I prefer Chinese torture.

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Furthermore, the *khutzpah* (nerve) of that guy! At the end of the program he says innocently,

"Now don't you feel better able to face the day, girls?"

Yeah, sure. *Ikh kenn mikh kohm dershleppen* (I can hardly drag myself) to the refrigerator for a *nosh* (snack) to get my strength back.

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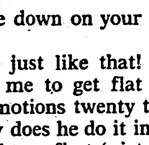

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For time to time JIAS will submit for publication lists of "Relatives Sought", this is another of such lists appearing below. If you do know the whereabouts of the persons listed, please contact immediately the Jewish Immigrant Aid Services of Canada (JIAS), 152 Beverley Street, Toronto, EMpire 3-7190.

Relatives Sought, Sept '62

1. GOLDFINGER, Gusta, nee Zimmerman, wife of Jakob, in Toronto since 1950, born in Jaroslaw, Poland, about 50, came from Krakow, sought by cousin, Maria Blitz, of Long Island, N.Y.

3. SUSSER, Herman, in Toronto since 1945, born in Bucovina, 45, sought by cousin, Max Feuerstein, of Radautz, Bucovina, Roumania.

9. NATHANSOHN, Benjamin, 88 born in Iash, Roumania, son of Avrum and Chaia, restaurant owner, wife—Reisel, one son is a musician, names of the other children not known, sought by niece, Chaia Kaufman, nee Natansohn, daughter of Julius and Sheindel, now in Israel.

14. MOINAR, Josef, 50, auto mechanic, born in Debrcen, Hungary, wife—Eva, in Canada since 1948, sought by friend, Michel Feuerwerker, now in New York.

15. LEDER, Mendel, born in Czerbosh, Roumania, August 28, 1923, sought by mother Kreindel Leder, nee Pesah, now in Vienna.

16. DAVIS, Elka, nee Buimovici, 70, born in Botoshan, Roumania, daughter of Haim and Feige, in Canada since 1910, mother of Haim and Meier, sought by nephew, Haim-Marco Buimovic, son of Itzik-Hersh and Esther, 47, now in Israel.

17. SIEGLER, Abram (Sandu), in Canada since 1950, wife, Buta and daughter, Fani, sought by brother, Efraim Siegler, mother, Anna and David, now in Israel.

Relatives Sought, Oct '62

2. DREYFUSS, Lotte and Margott, arrived in Canada from Germany in 1938, 38 and 36 years, respectively, daughters of Jacob Dreyfuss, sought by Jacob Haag, Vancouver.

3. BIKSEL, Malka, born in Brzesc, Poland, daughter of Chaim and Frima-Laja, presumably in Toronto, is sought by Elsa Heller, nee Gluzman, daughter of Abraham and Sheina-Sura, cousin, now in New York City.

4. COHEN, Jacqueline, born in France July 19, 1931 daughter of Jacques and Victoria, somewhere in Canada, sought by sister, Sarah Levy, now in Israel.

6. HOCHMITZ, Peisach, somewhere in Canada, 55, born in Lodz, Poland, in the furniture line, sought by cousin, Leopold Cytrynowicz, now in Montreal, son of Yeremia and Bina.

7. CYTRYNOWICZ, Izak-Chaim, 62, born in Konsk, Poland, tie manufacturer, son of Natan and Guta, wife Hela, sought by nephew, Leopold Cytrynowicz of Montreal.

8. BERGMAN, Moshe, now in Haifa, Israel, born in Zamosz, Poland, 64, son of Benjamin, and Rose, nee Frankfurt, is looking for his friend, Max Tarschisch, somewhere in Canada, 60, born in Leipzig, Germany, arrived from Argentine in 1939, furrier.

11. LEWIN, son of Itzhak-Meir and Tsina, brother of Hanna, 55, in Canada since 1930, sought by cousin, Simcha Lewin, Herzlia, Israel, son of Menachem and Haia, nee Frankow.

12. PIKET, Hans, about 40, born in Berlin, Germany, arrived in Canada from Holland, sought by Mario Mayerhoff, Sao Paulo, Brazil.

13. HELFAND, Kalman arrived in Canada from Belgium in 1942, owns clothing store, 55, born in Kalusz, Poland, sought by friend, Zalman Kuchik, Brooklyn, N. Y.

14. DAVIS, Elka, born in Botoshan, Roumania, 72, daughter of Haim and Feiga, sons Maier, Haim Benjamin, sought by nephew, Haim Marcu Buimvici, born in Botoshan, Roumania in 1915, son of Hersh and Ester Stina Zamvil, now in Beersheba, Israel.

15. DUBINER, Jacob, in Canada since 1932, 75, born in Zhitomier, Russia, son of Gershon, sought by niece, Pesie Dub, daughter of Yakov and Etel, now in B'nai B'Rak, Israel.

17. FUCHS, Rivka, in Canada since 1930, 85, born in Libava, Latvia, children, Yoina, Shlomo and Malka Starkman, sought by nephew, Abraham Shapiro, son of Joseph and Gittl, 50, now in Hedera, Israel.

18. GRINBLATT, Beile, in Canada since 1925, son of Baruch-Mordeche and Hinde, husband, Wolf, sought by sister, Dina Schwartzman, nee Dratowski, 57, now in Kolomya, Russia.

19. KUPINSKY, Slawa, nee Sigelnitzky, arrived in Canada from Shanghai, China, on the S.S. "General Meigs' February 1, 1949, cousin of Kalman Berger, 660 Spadina Avenue, Toronto, husband Eliasz, son Hirsz and daughter, Sara, both born in Warsaw, Poland, sought by cousin Rebecca Sigelnitsky, daughter of Meilech and Braina, Brooklyn, N.Y.

20. STOCKFISCH, Jeno Eugene, born in Komarom, Hungary, resided in 1951 at 261 College Street and 228 Wellesley Street East, Toronto, son of David and Isabella, sought by the United Restitution Office, Toronto.

Relatives Sought, Nov '62

1. KAPTAN, Libe, son of Pejsach, residing either in Canada or the United States, is sought by Leon Kerbel of Katowice, Poland.

2. KUPERBERG, Meir, son of Mousze-Szmul, born in Szczekociny, Poland, sought by Jakub Kuperberg of Sosnowiec, Poland.

5. LESH, Morris, son of Zanwel and Malca, nee Katz, in Canada since 1928, born in Warsaw, about 70, is sought by his cousin, Riwka Kuperwajs, nee Katz, daughter of Aron and Zlata, nee Zimmerman, now in Brooklyn.

6. EGRI, Frank (Refenc), son of Josef and Maria, nee Ungar, arrived in Canada from Linz, Austria, in 1952, born in Budapest in 1922, sought by her sister, Klara Gerendas, nee Egri, now in Israel.

12. CUKERKORN, Moshe, in Canada since 1942, born in Warsaw in 1913, son of Avram and Doba, wifes name Donika, nee Dampner, is sought by his sister, Miriam Gelbrun, nee Cukerkorn, 51, now in Israel.

14. DAVIDSON, Solomon, 78, born in Barlad, Roumania, accountant, son of Shmil and Tzivia, sons — Sam, Hymia and Joseph, is sought by his niece, Lea Marcovici, nee Goldenberg, daughter of Henoch and Malca, nee Davidson, now in Israel.

15. REICHMAN, Miklos-Zvi, also known as Harsi or Niklaus, resided in Israel since 1938 and in Canada since 1960, is sought by his friend, Antoinette Halbertsman of Philadelphia.

16. SCHWARTZ or Swartz, Alexander, born in Zgierz, Poland, in 1901, son of Yesochor, is sought by friend, Isaac Glowinsky, Royal York Hotel.

WEINBERG, born in Cairo, Egypt, married, now in Toronto, has two sisters, is sought by Isaac Glowinsky, son of Nachum and Sara, nee Feldon.

Relatives Sought, Dec '62.

4. SOKOLSKI Berl, son of Haskel, in Canada since 1905, resided in Toronto, wife's name Dvoira, children Aron and Mera, sought by Bentzion Moshkovitch Fleischman in Russia.

5. SILVERBERG, Harry, married, tailor, 50, wife's name, Rose, has two children, 13 and 9 years of age, last known address in Toronto, 14 Grace Street, sought by wife's aunt, Bela Rubin, Australia.

6. WILDBAUM, Tiwie, born in Beltz, Bessarabia, 1917, son of Berl and Perl, last known address 3851 Bathurst Street, Downsview, barber, sought by brother, Boris Widbaum, of Tchernowitz.

9. REISNER, Regina, born in Felso-Sarad, 1925, father — Joseph, sought by relative Rose Bing, nee Reister, residing in Vancouver.

10. HORNSTEIN or RAMMER, Elo (Eliyahu), parents Abraham and Lea in Canada since 1912, may be in Toronto or Montreal, sought by friend, Michael Blatt, son of Nathan and Sheva born in Mikulnice near Tarnopol, now in Israel.

2. KOPPEL, Itzhok, arrived in Canada from Sao Paulo and may be in Toronto or Montreal, sought in connection with his Restitution Claim.

11. TUNIS or KOFFLER, John (Jacob), son of Abraham and Chaya, nee Tunis, in Canada since 1910, brothers Chaim, Alexander (Sender) and Moishe, sought by Michael Blatt, son of Nathan and Sheva of Israel.

16. GOTLIEB, Moshe, son of Leibush, born in Kielce, Poland, 1918, arrived in Canada from Germany in 1948, sought by nephew, Moshe Gotlieb, now known as Franciszek Szczurokski, son of Joseph and Sara Gotlieb, nee Rotstein, born in Kielce, Poland in 1939, Israel.

17. FELDMAN, Dr. Abraham, born in Lublin in 1912, son of Shmul, in Canada since 1947, sought by friend, Mandelbaum, M., Bruxelles.

18. SCHATZ, Itzik-Jacob, single, son of Shmarya-Zwi and Esther, nee Cash, brothers Joseph-Louis, Abie, Hie, sought by half-sister, Blossom Waldman, Brooklyn, N.Y.

19. CHAIT, Chaim Faivel, born in Rowno, Poland in 1914, son of Mordche-wolf and Bluma, nee Gampl, sought by brother, Abram Chait, New York City.

20. ERLICH, Dudi (David), born in Bistritza, in Canada since 1946, sought by friend, Andor Horowitz, watchmaker, born in Regin, Roumania, son of Nandor and Averham, 36, now in Montreal.

21. ROSENZWEIG, Jacob, son of Baroch-Moshe and Dvose, born in 1912, a storekeeper, presumably residing in Canada, sought by aunt Sara-Riwka, Katz, daughter of Meir and Feiga, born in Tergu-Neamtz, Roumania, in 1884, in Israel since 1962.

SHARETT

French Jewry Fails

PARIS (JCNS) — A "fundamental change and even a revolution" of the conceptions at present prevailing among French Jewry regarding their tasks and capabilities in aiding Israel, was demanded by Mr. Moshe Sharett at the closing session of the two-day National Conference of Keren Hayesod in France, on Sunday.

Mr. Sharett noted that French Jewry's contribution to building up Israel was most unsatisfactory. While a Swiss Jew, for instance, contributed on the average $25 annually, a French Jew gave Israel only one dollar a year, he said.

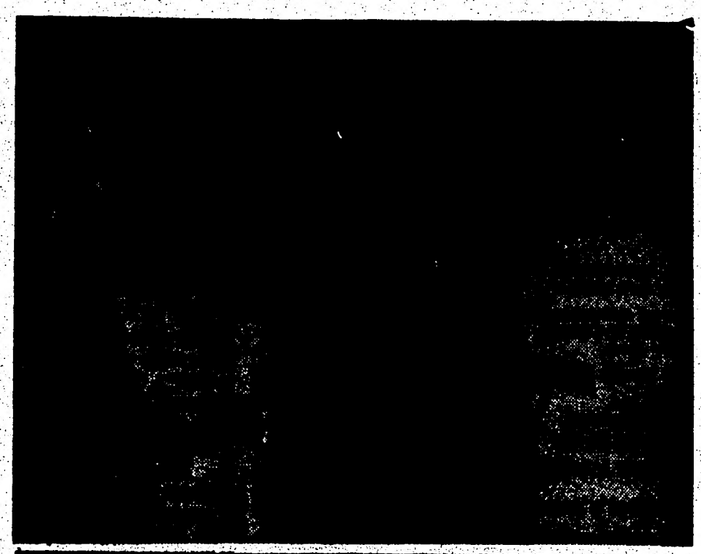
M. Raymond Wallier, President of Keren Hayesod in France, described French Jewry's contribution as "derisory". France's half a million Jews, he said, gave less for Israel than the 20,000 Jews of Switzerland. A comparison with Great Britain would be even more catastrophic. Last year, however, total contributions in France totalled 2,240,000 Francs, a rise of 14 per cent, compared with 1961.

Addressing the delegates, Mr. Abba Eban, who came specially from Geneva where he is heading the Israeli delegation at the U.N. Scientific Conference, said he wished to make it clear that "the heroic period in Israel's history was not yet over." A glance at the map of the Middle East would be enough to show that the entry of the area into the race for ballistic missiles was a bad omen for Israel.

The equilibrium of terror, he said, did not exist between Israel and her neighbours, who, put together, are fifty times superior to Israel in the matter of population and ninety times in territory.

As regards Israel's intellectual superiority, this was not immutable. "It is by no means based upon a biological inferiority of the Arabs, as some tend to believe, and a day may come when the numerical superiority of the enemy will no longer be counter-balanced by Israel's intellectual and technological superiority," he warned.

The importance of breaking the deadlock in the negotiations for an agreement between Israel and the Common Market was referred to by M. Diomède Catroux, former Minister of Aviation. Senator André Monteil, former Secretary of State for the Armed Forces, promised that Israel's French friends, foremost among them the members of the new Franco-Israeli Friendship Group in Parliament, of which he is the Vice-Chairman, will concentrate all their efforts in helping to achieve a close association between Israel and the Common Market countries.



SPECIAL GIFTS EVENT — A luncheon for the leadership of Special Gifts of the United Jewish Appeal Women's Division was held last week, in preparation for a luncheon March 7. In photo above - from left to right - are: Mrs. Arthur Paulin, Mrs. Harry Solomon, Mrs. Ralph Fisher, hostess for the planning luncheon; and Mrs. David Wodlinger, co-chairman of Special Gifts with Mrs. John Van Der Hout.

In photo below - from left to right - are: Mrs. Gerald Halbert, Zvi Garcy, guest speaker; Mrs. Burton Winberg and Mrs. Somer Rumm.

KURT BECHER, HIMMLER AIDE, WINS COURT CASE IN FRANKFORT

FRANKFORT (JCNS) — An indemnification claim by a Jewish merchant, Mr. Alexander Klein, against a former Nazi S.S. leader in Hungary, Kurt Becher, has been dismissed by the Frankford district court.

Mr. Klein, who died at the end of 1961, had claimed that he had paid Becher $18,000 in Budapest in 1944 in return for Becher's promise to save the lives of Mr. Klein's brother's family by sending them to Switzerland. The entire family was, however, murdered at Auschwitz, and Mr. Klein was claiming the return of the money.

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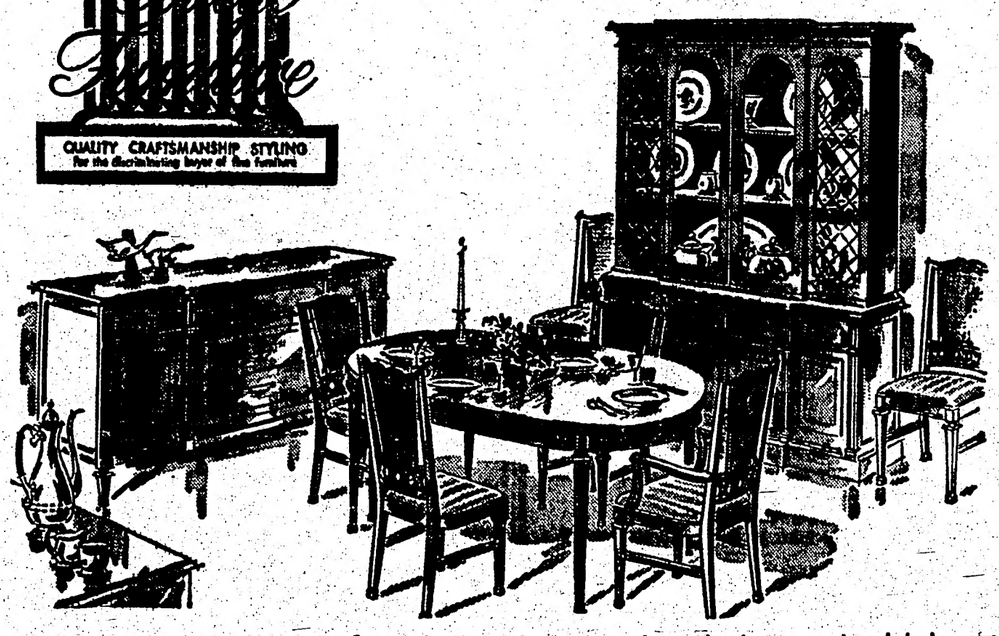

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It was in recognition of his many years of devoted services to the JNF that he was honoured with a Testimonial Dinner in June 1956. On that occasion his many friends and admirers subscribed funds to plant a Mile of Trees in his honour in Israel. The JNF expresses its profound condolences to his children: Dr. Rose A. Lehman of Atlanta Georgia, and Oscar and Murray of Toronto, as well as to his wife Mrs. David Abramowitz.

STATEMENT

MIZRACHI HAPOEL HAMIZRACHI
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In reply to the many inquiries received, we herewith declare the following:

In accordance with the policies and principles of the Mizrachi Hapoel Hamizrachi movement we have ordered the cancellation of a lecture by the Conservative

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ON

"The Face of Conservative Judaism"

which was to be held for the Bnei Akivah Madrichim Seminary. We regret the tragic error of its unauthorized arrangement and all persuant inconveniences.

J. WEINBERG, President,
Rabbi Dr. W. Wurzburger,
Chairman, Rabbinical Board.

TORONTO SYNAGOGUE NEWS

COUNCIL, JEWISH BROTHERHOODS

● The Council of Jewish Brotherhoods of Toronto will have its annual installation breakfast on Sunday morning, February 24th, at B'nai Israel-Beth David Synagogue. Rabbi Albert Pappenheim, spiritual leader of BIBD, will speak on: The City of the Rothschilds. The following have been elected for 1963-64; Norman Grant (Holy Blossom), president; Jules Sardin (Beth Tzedec), vice president; Harold Cohen (B'nai Israel-Beth David), secretary; Julius Shapero (Shaarei Shomayim), treasurer; Paul Mints (Beth Jacob), executive secretary.

BETH SHOLOM

● Beth Sholom USY held a full day Shabbat program Saturday, Feb. 9th. At services, 10:00 a.m., Perry Blank officiated as rabbi; Stan Grossman, cantor; Sheldon Parker and Herschel Ezrin were Baalei Korah; Arthur Goldstein, Baal Maftir. Jerry Swartz, Junior USY advisor, delivered the sermon. Theme of the day was: Judaism and Modern Youth. Mr. W. Crocker, president, Beth Sholom Synagogue, greeted the youth. After Kirkat Hamazon, led by Jerome Stone, USY religious chairman, the group heard the keynote address delivered by B. M. Gottlieb, executive director of the synagogue. Sichot followed, led by Elaine Urbas, Sheldon Parker, Herschel Ezrin, Dennis Schwartz, Ros Devlin. Rabbi David Monson, spiritual leader of Beth Sholom, spoke at the Seuda Shlischit. Cantor Wahrman led the Havdalah service. Some of those who planned the affair are: Dena Chaplick, president of USY.; Jerome Stone, religious chairman; board of trustees of Youth Congregations; board of Youth Congregation; Dennis Schwartz, chairman; Paul Freedman; Joel Steinman; Alan Zelunka; Herchel Ezrin; Sheldon Parker; Elaine Urbas.

BETH EMETH

● Beth Emeth Sisterhood will hold a Purim dance on Saturday evening March 2nd.

● On Wednesday evening, February 27th, 8:30 p.m., Beth Emeth will celebrate Jewish Music Month. Participants will be: Alan Blye, singer; Tova Boroditsky-Diamond, music interpreter; Children's Choir, Beth Emeth Talmud Torah.

● Sisterhood held a meeting Monday, February 18th. Mrs. Sidney Harris discussed: Brotherhood.

B'NAI ISRAEL-BETH DAVID

● Plans were made recently to organize a Young Married Couples Club. Rabbi Albert Pappenheim, spiritual leader of BIBD, presided. Mr. Murray Kurtz and Mrs. Gerald Prenick of Beth Sholom outlined purposes and activities of such a club. A committee was formed consisting of: Mr. and Mrs. S. Maidenberg; Mr. and Mrs. M. Goodman; Mr. and Mrs. M. Back; Mr. and Mrs. L. Marshall; Mr. and Mrs. I. Glucksman. Conveners were Mrs. Jack Obernam for Sisterhood and Mr. Dave Dunn for Brotherhood. Dave Dunn for Brotherhood.

● Brotherhood will hold services on Friday, Feb. 22nd, 8:30 p.m. Guest speaker will be the Hon. David Lewis, Q.C., M.P. His subject will be: Politics and Morality. Rabbi Pappenheim and Cantor Greengarten will officiate. Mrs. M. Miskin will conduct the Hebrew School Choir in a selection of Sabbath songs.

● Rabbi Pappenheim recently addressed the Breakfast Club of Beth Jacob Congregation, Kitchener, Ont. During Brotherhood Week, he will participate in a panel discussion at Pleasant Avenue Home and School Association and will address the Men's Group of the Church of the Epiphany, Bronte, Ont.

BETH AM

● Last Saturday's Sabbath services were in honor of Boy Scout Week. Rabbi Raab of Beth Am relayed a short message, thanking the following: Mrs. Harold Debora, scout commissioner; scout leaders, Len Dworkin and Jack Graham; Cub leaders, Joe Wolfe and Saul Saltzman; assistant Cub leaders, Lou Buebe, Norm Burns, Bernie Jafine, Al Oksenberg, Morris Yuchtman.

BROTHERHOOD WEEK

● This week, up to February 24th, marks the 16th annual observance of Brotherhood Week in Canada. Speakers who will address audiences include: the Hon. Thomas Douglas, Hon. William Hamilton, Mr. John Verigin (a Doukhobor leader), Dr. Martin Luther King, Dr. Franklin Littell of the Chicago Theological Seminary, Rabbi Gunther Plaut, Father John Madden of St. Michael's College, Mother M. Chabanel of Loretto College (Toronto), Mr. William Allen, Dr. Matthew Dymond, Mr. Phil Stone.

BETH TZEDEC

● The film, Genesis, produced by, directed by, written by and starring members of Beth Tzedec Junior Clubs was shown as part of a Parents' Day Entertainment recently. Members of the cast were: Mark Grossman, Alan Soll, Alan Spivak, Andy Zimmerman, Beryl Greenspan, Sandy Cowan, Fern Levin, Leslie Newman, Georgia Wolfe, Joey Golden, Irene Ruskin, Nettie Kronish, Corinne Mandelbaum, Sherry Levin, Sandy Posluns, Janet Wise, Minda Sherman, Serena Rotstein, Shauna Schwartz, Susan Gertner, Ellen Kachuck, Andy Milne, Hersel Gerstein, Elliott Sud, Randy Raliff, Randy Gangbar, Avrom Sud, Martin Rosen, Arlene Davis, Anita Small, Mark Wax, Martin Copeland, Joel Eisen, Richard Levin, Paul Gobel, Larry Shemin, Morris Sosnovitch, Rae Nussbaum, Sari Kronish, Shelly Cole, Penny Graner, Corinne Milchin, Susan Rossman, Simmie Frieberg, Rikki Kirshenbaum, Shelly Gross, Susanne Brown, Frances Creed, Joanne Ritter, Norman Fields, Billy Fields, Zena Fields, Norman Sobel, Alan Zweig, Stephen Moses, Lorne Green, Toby Rotstein, Philip Perlmutter, Daniel Feldheim, Lennie Landau, Alan King, Shelly Ball, Jan Green, Janice Clarfield, Shlomo Rosenberg, Elliot Kirshenbaum, Joel Pomerantz, Sharon Eisen, Lorne Gertner, David Frieberg, Lois Levy, Gloria Fine, Fern Small, Clarke Woodridge.

RELIGIOUS ZIONIST YOUTH

● Bnei Akiva (Religious Zionist Youth) of Toronto held its annual Shabbat Shevet at Clanton Park Synagogue on Saturday, February 9th. Participants were from ages 13 and up. On Friday evening Rabbi Lipscar delivered a talk on Lubavitch Hasidism. The Sabbath services were conducted by the youth, of whom about ninety were present. Before Tefilla, a sheur was given in Gemera various talks were delivered during and after luncheon. A competition was held, topics of which were: The First Temple; and The Second Temple. On Shabbat evening a gathering took place. Mr. Tzur played the accordion and taught the group new Israeli songs.

AGUDATH ISRAEL

● On the weekend of February 22nd, Pirchei Agudath Israel of Toronto will be host to 100 Yeshiva boys from New York City. After they arrive on Friday, they will go on a sightseeing tour to see all centers of Jewish life in Toronto. On Shabbos, February 23rd, the Burnside Torath Emeth will tender a special Kiddush and Sholosh Seudos in their honor. The boys will be able to meet local Yeshiva boys at a Shabbos dinner arranged by the Nshei Agudath Israel. Saturday evening they will participate in sports at the Don Valley Skiing Club. In farewell, they will be tendered a Mlava Malka by the Agudath Israel. Before returning to New York on Sunday, they will visit Ner Israel Yeshiva College.

NER ISRAEL

● Recently a group of residents of the Jewish Home for the Aged visited Ner Israel College of Toronto. Guests included: Mr. Morris Cohen, Mr. Ben Snider, Mr. Effrayim Mechlinger, Mr. Nathan Caplan, Mr. Zev Karger, Mr. Mendel Richmond, Mr. Shlomo Naftolin. They were accompanied by Mr. Ward Seeley, Mrs. Morris Kerzner and Mrs. Harold Breslin. Rabbi Sholom Gold, principal of Ner Israel, led the old folks on a guided tour of the campus and explained to them the program of the Yeshiva. The ulsit was arranged by Mrs. Phyllis Goldner of the Home for the Aged.

JEWISH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

● For the benefit of Beth Tzedec Sisterhood's Cha'Yay Olam Campaign for the Torah Fund (which helps provide maintenance expenses for the Seminary), Mrs. Joseph Tanenbaum and Mrs. Samuel J. Zacks, both of 10 Benvenuto Place, utilized their respective apartments on Thursday, February 21st, to support the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. Mrs. Tanenbaum tendered a luncheon, after which the guests proceeded to an art exhibit at the home of Mrs. Zacks. She commented on the interesting facts about the paintings and objects d'art which constitute Canada's foremost private collection. A gold charm, an exact replica of a Torah breast place, circa 1750, was presented to each guest. The hostesses were assisted by Mrs. J. J. Mann, president of Beth Tzedec Sisterhood, Mrs. Joseph Doran, and Mrs. Edsel Benstein Torah Fund administrator for Sisterhood.

HOLY BLOSSOM

● On Friday, March 1st, 8:30 p.m., a Hasidic service, led by Isadore Freed, will be held.

● Footlighters' Drama Group of the Pre-Confirmation Council will tender its first production on Saturday, February 23rd, at noon.

● On Friday night, March 1st, the Board of Religious Education and Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut of Holy Blossom Temple will honor the Religious School teachers of long service at a special ceremony. Participating will be the Temple Singers, the Religious School and the Temple Youth Choirs. Teachers thus honored, who have been teaching at the school for at least ten years are: Mrs. Freda Charles, kindergarten teacher; Mrs. Elinor Persiko, Kindergarten teacher; Mrs. Frances Chapkin, grade I teacher; Mrs. Stella Freedman, grade III teacher; Mrs. Ruth Sax, grade IX teacher; Mrs. Vivian Sturman, grade VIII teacher; Mrs. Rosalie Shadlyn, grade VIII teacher; Mrs. Mildred Steinberg, grade IX teacher.

● February 26th, Tuesday, at 1:15 p.m., Elaine Newton will review, "Ship of Fools", by Katherine A. Porter. Chairmen are Mrs. D. Bohnen, Mrs. S. S. Lerner.

TEMPLE SINAI

● Temple Sinai Congregation will conclude its final Friday evening observance of Jewish Music Month on February 22nd. Following the sabbath services, Mrs. Tova Diamond will lead the congregation in a sing-along of familiar and traditional songs.

ADATH ISRAEL

● Fathers and sons will attend the annual Cub Dinner on Wednesday, February 27th. The program will feature a judo demonstration. Ben Abbott is the cub director.

● A study session on Purim will be conducted on Thursday, February 28th. Discussion will centre on: The Book of Esther, Commentaries on the Megillah, Jewish Laws and Customs relating to Purim.

● A Purim party will be tendered by the Adath Israel Sisterhood and Brotherhood on Suturday March 9th.

● More than 100 teenagers gathered in the chapel to hear Rabbi David Monson describe the rise of Hitlerism. This lecture was the fifth in a series of eight monthly U.S.Y. Rosh Chodesh seminars devoted to Jewish history.

Also attending the address were: Rabbi Erwin Schild, Ben Applebaum, chairman, school and youth committees; Arthur J. Siggner, chairman, Ontario Youth Commission, United Synagogue; Mrs. Joyce Binstock, president, Ontario Region, National Womens League.

● Theme of the Regional Convention, Ontario Eastern Canadian Region, United Synagogue Youth, to be held in Ottawa on February 22nd to the 24th will be: Building Spiriual Bridges. Discussion will centre on the role of the Jew in the diaspora towards the State of Israel.

Guests of honor at the convention will be the Israeli Ambassador, Jaacov Herzog, and Mayor Charlotte Whitten of Ottawa.

The Adath Israel delegation will be accompanied by Ben Applebaum, chairman, Adath Israel Youth Commission; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Solomon; Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Starkman.

Delegates include: Jeff Rosenberg, Sheldon Lazier, Gerry Bloch, Karen Ginsberg, Tina Rotman, Zahava Kirshenbaum, Morton Paul, Mary Mittleman, Susan Warsh, Eric Burke, Elliott Fromstein, Stan Tessis, Marilyn Malach, Dennis Newman, Mark Libman, Ralph Rabinowitz, Daniel Schild, Judy Schild, Harvey Hirsch, Stephen Zamen, Martin Shiff, Sam Eidelman, Marc Grushcow, Shelly Zener, Gail Tinianov, Stephen Weintraub, Alan Applebaum, Helen Lazar, David Lake, Michael Scher, Maureen Segal, Howard Rocket, Agnes Edsen and Judy Fisher.

YAVNAH ZION

● The Yavnah Zion Congregation's new officers were installed recently at the annual banquet. The new executive includes: H. Cooperman, president; Joseph Green, vice president; A. Rosen, treasurer; M. Weiss, financial secretary; M. Cohen, parnes; M. Green, gabai; I. Lennox, board chairman; J. Smith, chairman, sick visiting committee; E. Eisler, D. Fox, D. Madonik, trustees.

A J.N.F. golden book certificate was presented by the president to M. Cohen in recognition of his participation in congregation activities.

Julius Marcus explained the significance of Tu B'Shvat. Mrs. S. Stein, Women's Auxiliary president, brought greetings.

Israeli movies were shown. The program featured Cantor S. Taran and Cantor M. Diamond.

PLEDGE CO-OPERATION. The B'nai B'rith Co-ordinating Committee of Toronto pledged its help in the 1963 campaign of the Toronto United Jewish Appeal at a meeting last week. In top photo are Harry Frank, left, and Dr. Alexander Lipson, right, co-chairman of the B'nai B'rith UJA Committee, and Zvi Garcy, guest specker at the meeting. In photo below are, from left, Jack Pearlstein, Q.C., J. Irving Oelbaum and Leon Weinstein, veteran B'nai B'rith leaders.

B'NAI B'RITH ALL OUT FOR UJA DRIVE

Intensified participation of B'nai B'rith lodges in the 1963 campaign of the Toronto United Jewish Appeal was worked out last week at a meeting of the B'nai B'rith UJA Committee, at the Primrose Club. Harry Frank and Dr. Alexander Lipson are co-chairmen of the committee.

The Council decided that the 26 Metro lodges will recruit 300 canvassers to cover 1,800 pedge cards in a newly-formed General Mercantile Division. The division will be responsible for soliciting small businessmen for contributions to the current campaign.

Frank is chairman of the B'nai B'rith Co-Ordinating Committee of Toronto and Dr. Lipson is first vice-president of District One, B'nai B'rith. They announced that a meeting of lodge presidents, communal chairmen and canvassers will be held. Guest speaker at the meeting will be Zvi Garcy. "The Man Who Meets the Trains," who will report on immigration of Jews from Iron Curtain countries.

This is the first time that a combined effort with the co-operation of all B'nai B'rith lodges has been organized in behalf of the UJA drive. In the past, individual lodges volunteered their participation in the Metropolitan Division general canvass and in covering Mercantile Division miscellaneous cards.

The meeting of the Co-Ordinating Committee was addresseed by Zvi Garcy and by two veteran B'nai B'rith leaders, J. Irving Oelbaum and Leon Weinstein.

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ROGUL, Bertha. On February 14th, late of 14 Ronald Ave.

TOMINSKY, Annie. On February 12th, late of the Jewish Home for the Aged.

Services arranged by College Memorial Chapel, 331 College Street.

FELSTEIN, Abraham. On February 12th, late of 54 Stadacona Dr.

HARTMAN, Hilda. On February 16th, late of 241 Dunforest Ave.

KLEIN, Annie. On February 16th, late of 32 Marwill St.

LEINER, Charles. On February 16th, late of 21 Mayfair Ave.

LERMAN, Bertha. On February 16th, late of 163 Duncarin Rd.

LUFT, Benjamin. On February 12th, late of 5 Henry St.

PICOV, Bunia. On February 13th, late of 162 Markham St.

QUARTER, Bessie. On February 15th, late of 10 Hove St.

WISKIN, Leah. On February 17th, late of 8 Wasdale Cres.

WOONSCH, Max. On February 15th, late of 169 Huron St.

VAN DER HOUT, Rebecca. On February 12th, late of 53 Brucewood Cres.

Services arranged by Park Memorial Chapel, 508 Spadina Ave.

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OBITUARY

Mendle Zager, of Jerusalem, Israel former resident of D'Arcy St., Toronto, passed away on Thursday, February 14th in Jerusalem at the age of 82 years. Brother of the late Abraham Jacob Sager he is survived by a sister Sophie Freedman of 125 Glenholme Ave., a son Samuel and (Shaya) formerly of Ottawa and two grandchildren Joel and Miriam now residing in Jerusalem, Israel, also a loving niece and nephews in Toronto.

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Letters to the Editor

RABBI "REBUKES" CANADIAN JEWISH NEWS "WITH LOVE"

By Rabbi Ervin Schild (Downsview)

Dear Editor:

I must take strong exception to your editorial in the CJN of Feb. 8th, entitled "A. N.Y. Rabbi in Toronto", which was presumably aimed at Rabbi Dr. Seymour Siegel.

It is not Rabbi Siegel who has broken the rules of religious speakers, but rather you who have broken the accepted rules of good journalism by basing your editorial on hearsay or second-hand reports. Surely, if you or a reporter of your paper had been present, you would know that at no time during the entire weekend did Dr. Siegel discuss the nuclear policy of Canada. On the contrary, when speaking about the ethical justification of nuclear arms for the west, he made it abundantly clear that his comments were not relevant to the policy of the Canadian government.

Your allegation that "this new exegete had the temerity to criticize from the pulpit what he believes to be the nuclear policy of the Canadian government" is therefore an outright contemptible lie; a false accusation and a mean slur on the person of a young scholar and Talmid Chacham who in addition to being learned is a very meek, kind and humble person. If you, Sir, are a religious Jew, you owe him more than an apology: between now and next Yom Kippur you ought to ask for his personal forgiveness and I can assure you that this forgiveness will be forthcoming from him.

Nor did Rabbi Siegel make any unfavourable comment on Rabbi Leiner. When asked about this case during a question period, he refused to become involved on the grounds that he was not sufficiently familiar wth the case. He went no further than to say that a Jew ought to co-operate with lawfully established authority.

In fairness to you, and on the basis of the generally high standards of your fine newspaper, which I generally hold in high esteem, I am inclined to believe that you based your editorials on certain reports which appeared in the press. As a journalist, however, you ought to know better and you ought to have checked the veracity and accuracy of your sources before. There were no reporters present when Rabbi Siegel discussed Nuclear Ethics, which was at a small study group and not from the Pulpit. The article in the Globe on this topic was based, I presume, on the answers which the reporter obtained by questioning people who had heard Rabbi Siegel and perhaps by asking him a few questions privately. The Telegram article, in my opinion, was written on the basis of the earlier article in the Globe, since no Telegram reporter attended any of the sessions to the best of my knowledge. Did you abide by the rules of good journalism, when using these articles as the sources of your information?

Your own articles in the CJN indicate - and I mean this quite sincerely, that you are well acquainted with the sources of Jewish ethics. No special exegetical skill is required to expound the verses dealing with Lashon Hara, slander, and tale-bearing. I recommend that you study these passages.

Permit me to say, on this occasion, that apart from this regrettable lapse into yellow journalism, I enjoy your paper which fills a very definite need in the community. I hope therefore, that you will accept my letter in the spirit of the Rabbinic dictum — "love without rebuke is not love."

Bible Supports Nuclear Arms, U.S. Rabbi Says

A New York rabbi charged during the weekend that Canada's refusal to accept nuclear arms was in conflict with Jewish Biblical law.

Also in conflict with Judaic principles, according to Dr. Seymour Siegel, was the action of Rabbi Norbert Leiner in resisting arrest in Toronto last year. Persons who deny a man's right to protect his bomb shelter from intruders were also put in this category.

Dr. Siegel, professor of ethics at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, explained his application of Jewish law in these matters in a series of lectures at Adath Israel Synagogue Saturday and Sunday. The lectures were sponsored by the Synagogue Brotherhood as part of the congregation's adult education program.

Canada's refusal to arm its forces with nuclear warheads weakened Western military alliances and tempted enemies of the West to chance an attack, Dr. Siegel said.

"This is wrong and dangerous, because in the Bible, in Chapter 19 of the Book of Leviticus, it says: 'Thou shalt not . . . put a stumbling block before the blind'," he said. Dr. Siegel interpreted this to mean it was wrong to lead anyone into temptation which, in this case, could result in a reckless and tragic act.

However, if Canada based its refusal of nuclear weapons on irrefutable information which proved it would not provoke an attack, the rabbi said he would accept the decision as a sound one.

During a Sunday brunch session, Dr. Siegel was asked by a questioner who refused to be identified whether it was proper for a man to refuse to ride in a motor vehicle on the Sabbath even if it provoked controversy which exposed his religious group to public anger. The rabbi took this to be a reference to the case of Rabbi Norbert Leiner who resisted arrest by Metropolitan Toronto police on religious grounds on Jan. 26, 1962.

Dr. Siegel said Rabbi Leiner had refused from the beginning to co-operate with the police and therefore was in conflict with that part of Jewish law which demanded each citizen bow to legally and justly constituted authority. However, Dr. Siegel added that the report on an inquiry into the incident, prepared by Mr. Justice Dalton C. Wells, had dealt judiciously and justly with both the rabbi and police.

According to Jewish law, as outlined in the Talmud, it was morally right for a man to exclude neighbors from his bomb shelter in times of emergency if allowing them in meant both his family and his neighbors would die. If there were only enough air and supplies to support his family, a man could even use a gun to keep out intruders.

This was in keeping with the Jewish belief that preservation of human life was of utmost importance, Dr. Siegel said. "Though the choice may be tragic and painful, we have to put our preference on the side of human life," he added.

The only time when this was not the case was when those principles which made human life possible and meaningful were threatened. Rather than commit murder, incest or submit to idolatry, Dr. Siegel said, a Jew should give up his life.

THIS IS A REPRODUCTION OF THE ARTICLE IN FULL DISCUSSED BY RABBI SCHILD IN HIS LETTER. IT APPEARED IN THE GLOBE & MAIL ON MONDAY, FEB. 4.

From the Editors

In his gallant defense of Rabbi Dr. Seymour Siegel, Rabbi Schild bypasses the essentials:

1. The quotations were correct - from **The Globe and Mail**, Canada's most reputable newspaper. They also are in accordance with the citations by the **Toronto Telegram**, certainly a newspaper friendly to our people.

2. Thus this letter of rebuke with love should have been printed by now in the dailies, or is it only a Jewish newspaper which should bear the brunt for the statements ascribed to Rabbi Siegel by the entire press?

3. Very important weeklies rely upon the dailies, upon reputable dailies, in their comments or analyses of the events of the week. Would Rabbi Schild dare attack a magazine like **Time** ..had it commented upon such a speech, and quoting exactly a **daily?**

4. We shall await Rabbi Schild's letter of protest in the daily press. This will strengthen our belief that Dr. Siegel did not say what **The Globe and Mail** and the **Telegram** seported him to have said. After the apologies in the daily press, ours will follow.

The Editors

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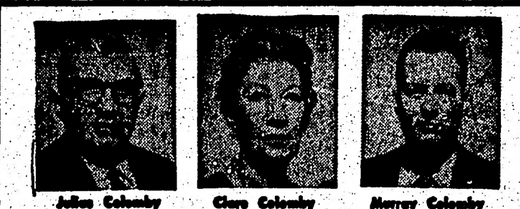

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HERO OF THE WEEK — THE MAN WHO SAVED THE ROYAL ALEX.... LOYAL MEMBER OF TORONTO SYNAGOGUE

By BERNICE DYMENT

In classic cliff-hanger tradition, all Toronto was watching and waiting with bated breath for the news that the beloved old Royal Alex would not after all fall to the demolition crews. And sure enough the hero arrived with his chequebook just in the nick of time, so those gracious old boards will resound again to the grandeur of Shakespeare, Shaw and Sholom Aleichem. And even the hero's name is in keeping with the dramatic tradition —who else but Honest Ed.

However, it was no surprise to Toronto Jews. The man who saved the Royal Alex has been well known for years to members of our community. Though his name appears rarely in connection with any drive, Honest Ed is one of the constant supporters of all Jewish causes. He has been a member, among others, of the Bais Yehuda synagogue where his mother also worships. He contributes to the United Jewish Appeal, buys Israeli Bonds and gave his son a basic traditional education. His interest and love for Jewish tradition Ed Mirvish inherited from his parents. His father came to America from Russia; his mother from Polish Galicia, (then part of Austria).

I went down to have a chat with Ed Mirvish just after the news broke to find out something about future plans for his latest acquisition—and something about Honest Ed himself. Of course everybody knows the business phenomenon he created—the "three-ring circus" emporium bearing his name, and the gags and gimmicks which last year brought six-million paying customers to his door, to the merry tune of 14-million dollars.

Ah! But what a far cry is the circus atmosphere of the store from what greeted me when I was ushered into Mr. Mirvish's private office. Here indeed is a throne-room that well befits a true merchant-prince—handsome leather-topped mahogany desk, subdued lighting, plush carpet, red velvet drapes, paintings, sculpture a collection of antique jades and porcelains, trophies — and behind the desk, a slender, tanned, soft-spoken youthful-looking Honest Ed.

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I asked first about his

HONEST ED

early life, and his family, and learned that the Mirvish's came to Canada from Colonial Beach, Virginia, thirty-nine years ago when Ed was nine years old. Mr. Mirvish, Sr. had operated a saloon in that American town, and when prohibition put him out of business after World War I, he brought his family to Canada where opportunities were said to be opening up. But the depression intervened here too, and the going was pretty rough. They opened a grocery business downtown on Dundas Street, and when Ed was in his third year at Central Tech, his father died. He had to leave school to help support his widowed mother, his brother Robert and sister Lorraine, and at 15, started out on the business career that began a new trend in North American business—the discount store.

First, a few years training with a super-market chain; then a small store he opened with his wife, and then in 1949, the experiment in merchandising that grew, and grew, into today's "Honest Eds" and is still growing. So noteworthy has been the success of this enterprise that McGraw-Hill Publishers are putting out a book this spring based on the thoughts and ideas behind the operation called "Business is People." Author of the book is Robert Mirvish, Ed's younger brother, who already has eleven published novels to his credit, the latest of which, "The Last Capitalist" has just come off the press. Robert is something of a phenomenon himself—novel writing is just his avocation—he is also a Radio Officer in the American Merchant Marine, and polishes off his writing in between watches.

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"You can't give a person a blue-print for success in business," Ed said in reply to my question. "So much depends on individual personality. For example, I had a bright young man working for me who decided he had discovered the blue-print for our success and would try it out on his own. He patterned his business on ours —advertising, hours, merchandising—the works. But somehow, it just didn't come off—I don't know why."

Three principles however, are basis to Ed Mirvish's philosphy about business. First, keep things simple, Second, Go Against trends. Third, fulfill a need. In his own case, it was lack of formal education which made him formulate the first principle—simplicity. A certain talent for show business must surely be the root of the second principle—to go against the current trend. When other merchandisers concentrate on providing extra services—free parking, exchange ..privileges ..etc., that's when Ed decided to cut out all trimmings, and concentrate on low-cost selling, self-service style. Ed Mirvish also is a firm believer in an "Open Ear" Policy. He's a good-listener who welcomes suggestions from any one of his 400 employees because they, after all, are the ones who know by direct contact what the cutomer really wants.

How is all this going to affect the Royal Alex? Will "Honest Ed's" open a branch in the lobby of the stately old theatre, and sell toothpaste during intermission at cut-rate prices? Not at all. Ed Mirvish doesn't believe in mixing "images." "What works for "Honest Ed's" won't necessarily work for another market, and another kind of product."

He's going to provide more comforts for the patrons of the Royal—an enlarged lobby, larger outdoor canopy for example, but he does not intend to enter the production field. He's prepared to subsidize the theatre's operation for a few years, if necessary, but he has every confidence that the Royal has a place in the life of this community, and it will pay it's way. Any profits which accumulate will be devoted to fostering local talent and dramatic groups, and to enhancing the stature of the theatre itself.

It is to his wife Anne that Ed Mirvish gives full credit for fostering his interest in and appreciation of the arts. Mrs. Mirvish is a talented sculptress whose work her husband proudly displays in his office. This interest in art, and artists, is behind another Mirvish project too. The row of old houses that share the same block as the store were originally intended as "growing-room" for the business. Now, Ed has decided that artists in Toronto need good, reasonable studio space, so the old houses are being remodelled into artists quarters, in one of which Mrs. Mirvish will move her own sculpting tools.

Son David, 18, the other member of the Mirvish family is a student at Forest Hill High School and hopes to enter the University of Toronto next fall. Career? Undecided as yet, "whatever will make him happy," says father Ed.

As a final "curtain" to our interview, Honest Ed furnished me with a really dramatic tableau. Pressing a button beside his desk, we sat back and watched the red velvet draperies slide silently open to reveal below the best show of all—hundreds of happy shoppers thronging the aisles waiting to hand the cashiers their bulging bags of goodies!

MONTREAL RABBI'S SON ON TV SHOW

KENNY KAREN

Son of Rabbi and Mrs. Isaac J. Teicher of Montreal, will be the guest star on the Jackie Gleason show, this Saturday evening, February 23rd.

THEATRE HI-LIGHTS

● Coming soon to Toronto's **O'Keefe Center,** March 11th through March 23rd, is the long-awaited "Milk and Honey." Starring Robert Weede and Molly Picon, with Terry Saunders and Tommy Rall, "Milk and Honey" whose music by now is familiar to all, tells the story of a group of women who visit Israel and hope to bring back husbands.

● "An Evening of Comedy" is the final production being offered at Toronto's **Hart House Theater** from Friday, February 22nd to Saturday, March 2nd. The two plays which make up the evening of high good humour are "The Man Who Married a Dumb Wife," by Anatole France, and "Great Catherine," by George Bernard Shaw.

They are directed by Robert Gill.

THEATRE IN TORONTO

By BARBARA I. PEARL

ALLAN SHERMAN'S ONE DAY STAND

Too bad Allan Sherman made only a one day stand—afternoon and evening—in Toronto. This newest funnyman, added to the rostrum of comedians, was brought here last Sunday by Bathurst Heights Chapter, B'nai B'rith, in conjunction with O'Keefe Center, for the purpose of aiding Toronto's Northwestern General Hospital.

If the response of the audience is any indication, Allan Sherman should be back soon.

To say Mrs. Sherman's son is hilarious would be an understatement. For he possesses a rare ingredient—originality. Since he writes his own parodies, one can't possibly say he "borrows."

Thanks to Allan Sherman's graciousness, O'Keefe Center for once, shrunk to the dimension of a living room, a large one though. Mr. Sherman has the knack of making one feel he speaks solely to him. In fact, his perpetually perplexed look conveys the feeling that he still doesn't know what he ever did to deserve all this popularity.

What he did to Judy Garland shouldn't happen to Judy Garland. His parody on, "Over The Rainbow," put the original forevermore in mothballs. His interpretation was entitled, "Overweight People"; and his rendition was just what the doctor ordered.

Other songs cleverly parodied are: 76 Sol Cohens in the Country Club (76 Trombones); folklore music; Kiss of Meyer (Kiss of Fire); My Zelda (Matilda); Saga of a Jewish birdwatcher from The Bronx (Tit-Willow); Harvey and Sheila (Hava Nagila). The score is endless.

Allan Sherman possesses an incurable sense of humor, projected for all to enjoy.

Rounding out the performance at O'Keefe were composer-pianist Lou Bush (alias Joe "Fingers" Carr) and orchestra, and the Jimmy Joyce Singers, consisting of four men and two women—all with glorious voices.

Especially touching were Mr. Bush's rendition of George Gershwin's "Rhapsody In Blue," and Jimmy Joyce's interpretation of Jacques Wolfe's, "De Glory Road," well-known negro spiritual.

JACK BENNY AT O'KEEFE

Jack Benny, veteran stage and television performer, brought his antics of long standing to O'Keefe Center last week.

The key to Mr. Benny's success is his suaveness, coupled with exaggerated innocence and a flair for knowing when to pause after a punchline.

Though his jokes aren't breathtaking — Mind if I take off my wig? I'm Allan Funt and you're on "Candid Camera" — his manner of delivery is. Only Jack Benny, alias Benny Kubelski from Waukegan, could develop a patter which seems spontaneous and easygoing.

Jane Morgan, Mr. Benny's co-star, is as beautiful as one would expect. Her interpretive singing plus her fabulous gowns add to the attraction of the show.

Toni Marcus, fourteen-year-old violinist, proves a budding comedienne.

The Half Brothers, confining their talents chiefly to prestidigitating, are just about entertaining. However, one could dispense with the Ward Singers, coon-shouters who render spirituals in a way which almost waken the dead. Their only contribution is to make the O'Keefe seem cozy.

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By Trude Weiss-Rosmarin

LOYAL YIDDISH ARMY

In one of his recent columns in the yiddish "Day-Morning Journal", Ephraim Auerbach, the Yiddish poet and journalist, paid tribute to the Yiddish speaking "folksmentshen" who, like a loyal army, can be relied upon to fill the halls where Yiddish cultural events take place.

True, Mr. Auerbach noted, this army has few young recruits, but its middle-aged (and older) veterans of the continuing fight for the survival of Yiddish in the U.S. have unlimited dedication and loyalty to the culture and literature of "Mame Loshen."

This loyalty was demonstrated again when, a few days ago, on a Thursday evening of near-zero temperature, an audience of close to one thousand came to pay tribute to the memory of H. Leivick, the great Yiddish poet, who had died several weeks before. Two weeks earlier, the Ninety-Second Street "Y" cultural department presented a Yiddish Poetry Reading by Jacob Glatstein. About fifty chairs had been set up for the occasion, but almost three hundred loyal lovers of Yiddish poetry turned up.

By contrast, Jewish culture in English must carry on in a virtual vacuum in New York (the emphasis is important). Thus, a symposium on the new Jewish Publication Society Pentateuch translation, held under the auspices of the American Jewish Congress, and with the participation of a very distinguished panel headed by Dr. Harry Orlinsky, editor-in-chief of the translation, attracted less than one hundred persons. Equally depressing are the small audiences (ca. 200) who attend the annual Jewish Book Month celebration in New York.

New York, the largest Jewish community in the world has the worst record of all U. S. Jewish communities with respect to Jewish identification and participation of those who are born to the English language. The compact mass of about two and a half million Jews in the New York metropolitan area do not even have a representative English-language weekly newspaper.

As for the two Yiddish dailies (Day & Forward) they have large staffs of editors and feature writers organised in a union which determines their wages. Although their circulations have shrunk over the years, the Day-Morning Journal" and the "Jewish Daily Forward" still have a combined circulation of over 110,000. Even the Communist daily "Freiheit" still has about 8,000 readers. In addition, there are about a dozen Yiddish periodicals of high calibre; some with sizable circulation, such as the weekly "Yiddisher Kemfer" and the monthly "Tzukunft".

The Yiddish book, too, is still faring well in these parts. The Yiddish writers who "invest" in their own books (there are almost no commercial Yiddish publishers in the U.S.) can rely on "the loyal Yiddish army" to keep them in the black.

LIBRARIES

According to Mr. Bernard Marks, managing director of the Hebrew Publishing Company, any popular Jewish book in English is assured of an immediate sale of between four and five thousand copies to Jewish librairies, schools, rabbis and educators. Over the past ten years, most synagogues have installed basic Jewish libraries of about 2,000 volumes, looked after by part-time or volunteer librarians. There are about one hundred congregations with more extensive library facilities and full library staffs. As a result, the Jewish Librarians Association, which languished for years after its inception in 1946, is developing a vigorous programme made possible by the increase of Jewish librarians with professional status.

Most congregations now consider a library "de rigeur" and those who are presumed to be knowledgeable frequently receive letters like the following: "Congregation.... is in the process of establishing a 2,000-volume Synagogue and School Library. Would you kindly send us a basic Jewish Library List of Books and Periodicals." The latest such request on my desk is from a Congregation in Texas.

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JEWISH COMMUNITY STILL FUNCTIONING IN IRAQ

LONDON (JCNS) — There is still a Jewish community in Baghdad. Their numbers have been variously estimated at between 4,000 and 6,000.

While they have been forbidden all organised social and cultural activity, there has been no restriction on religious observance and, at the last report two years ago, seven synagogues were still functioning.

COLONEL AREF
Violently anti-Jewish new Iraq Dictator

The Shamash Secondary School, an amalgamation of two Jewish schools has continued to provide instruction for the younger members of the community.

Baghdad's Jewish community has been said to consist of 30 per cent impoverished Jews, 40 per cent middle class and 30 per cent wealthy. Before the Arab-Israeli fighting in 1948, the community numbered more than 100,000 persons. Those who left after the establishment of Israel were forced to abandon all their property and give up their Iraqi citizenship. They arrived in Israel penniless.

Two years ago, Gen. Kassem issued a decree restoring to those Jews who wished to return both their property and their nationality. More than 450 were reported to have taken advantage of this offer.

Nothing is known about the Jewish community in Basra where, in 1958, some 300 Jews still had their homes.

ISRAEL AND IRAQ

JERUSALEM (JCNS) — Israelis have taken last week's happenings in Iraq calmly and soberly. Mrs. Golda Meir, the Israeli Foreign Minister, summed up the official attitude when she told the Foreign Press Association that what happened internally in Iraq was the business of that country only: Israel was interested in the events around her only insofar as they affect her security. If trouble should spread to countries nearer Israel, then the connow is the possible effect cern would be increased, because as long as the Arabs maintained their present attitude toward Israel it was of extreme importance who Israel's neighbours were.

The question for Israel of events in Iraq on the situation in Syria and in Jordan. Any change in the "status quo" in those countries which might spell additional danger for Israel's security could set off a decisive reaction here.

Israeli leaders have repeatedly indicated that any developments which might bring troops under the command of President Nasser to the country's northern and eastern borders would entitle them to take 'whatever' actions were deemed necessary" to maintain Israeli security.

To the extent that General Kassem played off Nasserists against Communists and walked a middle way, he was regarded by the Israelis as a positive factor in the region and his replacement by Colonel Aref is regretted. However, there is a firm belief here that the revolt was an internal affair.

Lou Harris Testimonial In Miami

Miami, Florida (CJN). In recognition of a decade of service to State of Israel Bonds in Canada, D. Lou Harris of Toronto, national chairman of the State of Israel Bond Organization of Canada, was tendered a testimonial tribute Wednesday evening, February 20, at the Fontainebleau Hotel. Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz of New York, vice president of the World Israel Bond Organization, was the principal speaker.

Active in the Israel Bond Organization since its inception in Canada in 1953, Mr. Harris was the first chairman in Toronto. After a highly successful campaign he was appointed national Chairman for Canada. Under his leadership, more than $40,000,000 in Israel Bonds have been sold in the past decade.

Members of the Canadian Committee that arranged the tribute include: Henry Azeff, Montreal; H.N. Bernstein, Winnipeg; Mitchell S. Bernstein, Saint John, N.B.;

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Hershel Rubenstein, prominent Toronto businessman and orthodox leader, will be honored as a "Torah Ambassador of Canada" at the 41st Anniversary Dinner of American Agudat Israel, on Sunday evening, March 17th, in New York City.

In Our Town And Elsewhere

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ISRAELI PHOTOS AT NORTH YORK PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Bathurst Heights Branch of the North York Public Library is exhibiting a group of photographs entitled Faces of the Sabra, by Lazlo Denes, Hungarian photographer.

Mr. Denes, now a Torontonian, visited Israel and compiled an extensive pictorial record of the people, backgrounr and way of life. With emphasis on youth and the new generation, he has captured the spirit of a militant democracy. His penetrating insight reveals the unity and diversity of a young and vigorous people at work and at play.

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Another exhibit of photographs recently shown at the Bathurst Heighs Branch depicts winter fun in Metro Conservation areas. One noted the amazing variety of inexpensive winter sports available in conservation parks in and around Metro. Metro residents are portrayed enjoying skating, skiing, tobogganing and old fashioned sleigh rides. These pictures were on loan from the Metro Toronto and Region Conservation Authority.

Moscow, (JCNS) Only five of the 1,443 members of the Supreme Soviet of the U.S.S.R. are Jews.

The Jews named in the latest list of delegates published here are: Riva Evseevna Vishchnikina, one of the five Birobidjan representatives in "Soviet of Nationalities"; Benjamin Emmanuilovitch Dymshits, representative in the "Soviet of the Unions"; Yakov Grigorievitch Kreizer, "Soviet of Nationalities"; Yulii Borisovitch Khariton, "Soviet of the Unions"; and Ilya Grigorievitch Ehrenburg, representative in the "Soviet of Nationalities" for the Latvian Republic.

DAVID BLUMBERG

B'NAI B'RITH COVENANT BREAKFAST

This year's Covenant Breakfast will be held this Sunday Feb. 24th at Beth Tzedec Synagogue.

David Blumberg of Knoxville, Tennessee will be the guest speaker.

Mr. Blumberg, who fills the position of Commissioner of the B'nai B'rith Youth Organization is at present the President of The National Association of Life Underwriters of North America and brings to us a vast experience in communal affairs.

TORONTO NEARS U.J.A. COAL

(Continued from page 1)

of America, president of American Jewish Congress and vice-president of the World Jewish Congress.

He formerly was president of the Synagogue Council of America, the New York Board of Rabbis, Zionist Organization of America, Jewish National Fund of America and American Jewish Congress. He also was chairman of the United Palestine Appeal and co-chairman of the national United Jewish Appeal.

Dr. Goldstein served as chairman of the World Jewish Congress Western Hemisphere Executive and as Consultant to the U. S. delegation at the United Nations Founding Conference in San Francisco in 1945. He was a founder of Brandeis University and of the National Conference of Christians and Jews in the U. S. and is former chairman of the NCCJ Commission on Religious Organizations.

Dr. Goldstein holds a doctorate in Hebrew literature from the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. He also was awarded honorary doctorates by New York University, Brandeis University, the Jewish Theological Seminary and the Chicago College of Jewish Studies.

He has authored **A Century of Judaism in New York, Toward A Solution, American Jewry Comes of Age Brandeis University — Chapter of Its Founding, and Transition Years,** just published in Jerusalem.

CANADIAN PANORAMA

by MORDECAI HIRSHENSON

LORD SAMUEL OVERLOOKED

The two Toronto afternoon papers were so overcome with the Ottawa cabinet crisis in the first week of February that they had no room to report the death of a noted Englishman who had served in many cabinets—the late Viscount Samuel (better known as Sir Herbert). The Globe and Mail with much less space at its disposal did manage an obituary for him.

SHUL TURNED PLAY-HOUSE

The Coach House Theatre on Huron Street at Cecil, housed in the former quarters of the late Strettener Rebbe, faces in the same direction as when it was a Jewish prayer house. The stage is set not at the narrow north or south end as one might expect, but on the wider eastern side so that the audience sits facing the "mizrach"-wall. Since the seats are also the benches of the former "Chevra Mishnayos" male play-goers might be forgiven if out of sheer familiarity and "deja vu" they reach for their yarmulkas.

There was only one flaw in the decor to destroy this illusion. In the scenery for the University Alumnae's most recent play—set in a Cardinal's quarters—there is a prominent and unmistakable "man-size" crucifix standing against the wall.

SASKATCHEWAN DOCTORS' HEAD

Dr. Harry Portnuff of Yorkton is the new president of the Saskatchewan College of Physicians and Surgeons. First Jewish practitioner to hold the office, Dr. Portnuff is now in the crucial position of guiding the doctors of Saskatchewan through the pitfalls and politics of State Medicine and protecting their interests in the process.

SCHOOLS MUST BE SECULAR —AND CHRISTIAN TOO

For the last few years spokesmen of the Anglican, United Church and other major Protestant denominations have been universally and incessantly deploring the tendency to secularize our life and in particular they have denounced the secularization of the school. They have been interpreting the move to eliminate religious teaching in the public schools as part of this monstrous modern effort to substitute the secular for the spiritual. In short, the word "secular" has been a bogey which they have identified with every negative stigma of their imagination and experience.

Suddenly, however, in the effort of the protestant churches to beat off the demand of the Roman Catholic bishops to expand their separate schools the word "secular"—even as an adjective of "school"—appears in their vocabulary with a strong positive connotation i.e. as a"good" word. In the recent brief of the Inter-Church Committee on Protestant-Roman Catholic Relations, a group on the provincial level which seems to be identical with the Canadian Council of Churches —a brief that went to Premier Robarts—recommendation No. 2 reads as follows:

"That the principles of Christian morality and commitment continue to be an integral element of all branches of the secular school system of Ontario;"

This clause, if indeed it is quoted correctly, is surely a masterpiece of self-contradiction. How can "Christian morality and commitment" continue to be an "integral element" of a secular school system. Perhaps "Christian morality" alone might be accepted as being part of a secular system. But "commitment"? This means the acceptance of Christian theology, doctrine, and faith. If ever there was a case of wanting to have one's cake and eat it it is this situation of a group of people insisting in the same sentence—in the same clause actually—that the public schools be both secular and Christian!

The brief is signed by two men who are generally known to be more astute and intelligent than to have made such a logic-defying statement, Professor G. P. Albaugh of McMaster University and Dr. C. C. Goldring, for many years director of education for Toronto's public schools.

NATHAN COHEN IN WINNIPEG

Those who read some of Star columnist Nathan Cohen's acidulous comments recently on Winnipeg as a cultural centre and home for the arts can now know that what brought him to Winnipeg was a family simcha. He was attending the Bar-Mitzvah in the Manitoba capital of his nephew Allan Mendelsohn, son of ex-Torontonian Nathan Mendelsohn, formerly of Euclid Avenue and Parkdale Collegiate, now a professor of mathematics at Manitoba University. The mathematician and the Maritime born literary critic, it seems, married sisters. Here are some of the comments of "The Observer" in Winnipeg's Israelite Press.

"Nathan Cohen, it can be reported, handled the Birkat Hatorah very effectively at the Talmud Torah last Shabbos, at the Bar Mitzvah of his nephew Allan. It should be mentioned that Allan Mendelsohn handled the reading of the entire Sedrah as well as his Maftir, equally well. No, Nathan Cohen did not carry his silver-knobbed cane to the Bimah with him.

"Later that evening, at the Bar Mitzvah reception, munching chicken sandwiches in the kitchen at the Bar Mitzvah's home, he delivered a few off the cuff opinions for a small audience. Canada was basically not a very talented country. Just over the border from the US, we'd have to strain pretty hard to compete with them in films, drama, or any of the arts. It is just not true to say, for example, that we have no film industry because our best talent leaves for the USA. We are just short on talent...and even shorter on investors willing to gamble on Canadian talent."

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MAN IN THE NEWS — *A Success Story*

Former Concentration Camp Inmate Now Leads Drive Of Toronto Businessmen

Alex Davis, chairman of the Women's Apparel Division of Toronto's 1963 United Jewish Appeal, considers that in working for and giving to the campaign he is only repaying a long-standing debt.

REMEMBERS HELP

Not that Davis owes money. But he still has not forgotten that as a survivor of a nazi concentration camp he was on the receiving end in Europe of assistance supplied with United Jewish Appeal funds. And he is not embarrassed to relate that it was gifts to UJA which helped him come to Canada and resettle in Toronto.

The UJA beneficiary agencies which helped Davis, and which are still prime powers in rescue, relief and rehabilitation, are United Jewish Relief Agencies, which provides subsidies to the Joint Distribution Committee for welfare work in Europe, North Africa and the Middle East; and Jewish Immigrant Aid Services of Canada (JIAS), which paid for Davis' transportation to Canada, assisted him with processing and documentation required by the government, and received him at the port of entry.

WALKED 50 MILES

When World War II ended, in May 1945, Davis a native of Hungary, was imprisoned in the Theresienstadt concentration camp in Czechoslovakia. On May 9—a date he says he has no difficulty remembering — the camp was liberated, and the internees walked 50 miles to Prague, the nearest large city.

The reception in Prague was memorable. "The Czechs couldn't do enough for us," Davis said. "The monasteries were opened to give us shelter and the Red Cross gave us food and clothing and put us on a train back to Budapest." But this welcome was nothing compared to what awaited them in the Hungarian capital.

"By the time we reached Budapest at the end of May, the JDC was well-organized with the help of the Omzsa (the Hungarian equivalent of Canadian Jewish Congress), and going strongly. You have to remember that we had practically nothing —no food, very little clothing, no money and no place to go. The JDC gave us all that, and even provided transportation for us if we wanted to go further."

Mr. Davis did want to go on, to his native town of Satu-Mare (SATMAR) in the provinces. When he arrived the welcome was friendly but, as he recalled, "none of our people were left, so there was no point in staying."

MEETS UNDERGROUND WORKERS

It was back to Budapest for Davis, but again there were no ties for him in the big city and he asked JDC to send him to Bucharest. Arriving in Rumania in July, Davis said he found the JDC 'even better organized than in Budapest, and working with the Brikha, a Zionist Underground which was making arrangements for Jews to go to Israel."

The speed with which the JDC moved into operation in Hungary and Rumania after the end of hostilities was not surprising to Davis. "Now that I look back on it," he said, "it seemed the most

ALEX DAVIS TODAY

natural thing in the world for the JDC to be handing out not only food, clothing and shelter, but money as well. It had been helping Jews this way even while the war was going on and we became used to depending on it."

Like Budapest, Bucharest had little to offer, and with the Russian occupation Davis said, "We could see what was coming."

So the next destination became the American occupied zone of Austria, where he arrived in the fall of 1945, and with the help of JDC he began a new life.

NAZIS MOVE IN

Being a native and resident of Hungary helped Davis escape the deadly aspects of nazi occupation until later in the war. In Satu-Mare, where he was born and raised, his father had a grocery store and was a textile merchant. In 1940, when Mr. Davis left his provincial hometown because of anti-Semitic persecutions there and came to Budapest, he was able to find work as a salesman for a textile wholesaler and converter.

"Life was difficult as a Jew in Budapest," he remembered, "but we managed to exist. Hungary was an ally of Germany and there were restrictions on Jewish employment and residence, but the situation was tolerable until March 19, 1944, when the Nazis marched in and took over.

"Three weeks later I was conscripted as a forced labourer and moved to an Army camp at the other end of Hungary, where I worked in a labour battalion. Then I was moved to the Miskolcz camp, where I saw Jews from the Budapest ghetto being deported. Their destination was Auschwitz and death."

CAPTURED

On September 15 the Hungarian government surrendered, and the Nazis took over completely. Jews were being shot on sight and mass deportations were taking place. Davis managed to escape from the camp and spent the next six weeks hiding in cellars, basements and churches until he was captured by the Nazis and returned to the camp.

The next two weeks were a nightmare with 10 days and 11 nights spent in a cattle car, travelling to Bergen-Belsen concentration camp. There he stayed until April, 1945, when the camp inmates were moved to Thersienstadt, and then came liberation.

The trip in the cattle car had a personal significance for Mr. Davis. "The train was guarded by the SS so that no one should escape," he said thoughtfully. "Nevertheless, one night a group of Zionist youths managed to get close enough to drop in some jars of jam. Of all food, jam was probably the least of what we needed, but I guess it was the only thing they had, and so they shared with us, their fellow Jews who were packed into that smelly car.

"It reminded me of a day in November, 1939, when a train of Polish Jewish refugees came through my town. We all went to the station to meet it and to give out food to the people on it. I never dreamt that one day I too would be a refugee and that someone would be giving me food."

IN BINDERMICHL

Mr. Davis' memory went back to late 1945. Since he spoke English he got a job with the American Army 580th Signal Depot in Wells, Austria, and later worked for the 25th Regulating Station in Linz. He was in charge of mess halls and one of his tasks was setting up menus and requisitioning food.

"There was a camp near Linz, in the suburb of Bindermichl, which was operated for Jewish refugees by JDC and the International Refugee Organization," he explained. "The refugees there received their basic ration, but all too often it wasnt enough. So I used to bring the left-over food from the Army camp to the DP camp. Since I had a Jewish mess sergeant for my boss, we made sure there always were plenty of left-overs.

Mr. Davis met his wife, Alice, at Bindermichl, and they were married in Austria.

In September, 1947, Mr. Davis was approached by the JDC and asked to become a social work supervisor at Camp Steyr in Upper Austria, and he accepted. His job was to arrange for transportation to the camp of Jewish refugees from Eastern Europe coming through Vienna on their way to Israel and other lands. He also arranged for them to be fed, given clothing and other necessary articles, and transported to the next stop in their journey.

COMES TO CANADA

Seeing all this movement made Mr. Davis restless, and when a furriers' commission came from Canada in 1948 looking for furriers who wished to resettle in Canada he saw his opportunity. Although he was not an accomplished furrier, Davis did take courses in the fur trade and was accepted. His application was approved under the sponsorship of Joseph Kerbel of Toronto, and on October 1, 1948, he and his wife landed in Halifax.

This is where the Jewish Immigrant Aid Services came in. JIAS loaned him the fare for ship and rail transportation to Canada and to Toronto, which he subsequently repaid, assisted him with processing and the needed documents and was at Halifax to greet him when he and his wife arrived.

JIAS also guides sponsors, assisting and counselling them in the intricasies of application procedures and providing financial aid when necessary.

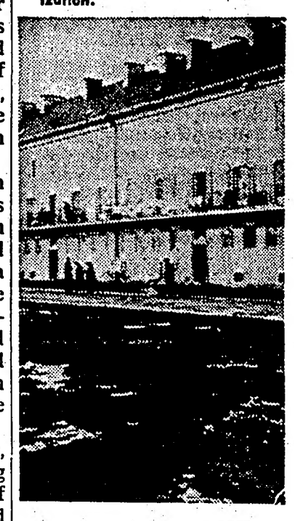
JIAS also would have provided Davis with a place to live if he did not have relatives here with whom he could stay. He recalls that there were immigrants in his group who were given living accommodations by JIAS.

SUCCESS STORY

Another UJA beneficiary agency which indirectly helped Davis come to Canada was Canadian Jewish Congress ,which has represented the Canadian Jewish community in negotiations with the government concerning immigration.

The rest of the story is well-known to his colleagues in the women's apparel trades. Davis got a job in Toronto as a shipping clerk with the Hudson Cloak Co., owned by Keve Ladowsky.

Alex Davis, right, as he appeared in 1946 with S/SGT Robert Baker, his mess sergeant and his "best friend". A scene in Camp Bindermichl, a Displaced Persons camp operated for Jewish refugees by the Joint Distribution Committee and the International Refugee Organization.



CAMP BINDERMICHL

In six years he had worked his way up to general manager, overseeing 40 employees. In 1957, along with Barney Beranbaum and Louis Tomaselli he founded the Primrose Garment Co., manufacturers of ladies' cloaks, now one of the leading firms in the industry.

Davis, now not yet 40 years old, is rightfully proud of his success, and of his family, sons Bernard, 14, Milton, 12, and Ronald, 5. He is proud that, although as a Displaced Person he would have been cared for by JDC and did not have to work, he still earned his own way. But at the same time he is grateful for the money, given by those more fortunate, which gave him a chance to rebuild his life, and he is determined that he too will give an unknown someone else that chance.

MENS APPAREL UJA DIVISION WILL LAUNCH CAMPAIGN ON MONDAY

The Men's Apparel Division will open its campaign in behalf of the United Jewish Appeal of Toronto, 1963, at a dinner meeting Monday, February 25, at 6.15 p.m. at the Primrose Club, it was announced this week by Jeff Cohen and Abbey Lipson, co-chairmen of the division.

They stated that, "Last year the division increased pledges by 15% over 1961, and we are hoping to do even better than that this year." They issued an invitation to all men affiliated with the men's apparel industry in Toronto to attend the dinner.

The guest speaker at the event will be Zvi Garcy, ""The Man Who Meets the Trains," who will give a confidential report on Jewish immigration from behind the Iron Curtain.

Cohen, who was a member of the 1963 Toronto Study Mission to Israel, will report on his experiences there.

Both Cohen and Lipson are members of the board of directors of the Toronto United Jewish Welfare Fund. Lipson was a member of the first Study Mission to Israel in 1958.

Co-chairmen of Men's Apparel for the last two years, Cohen also is a member of Shaarei Shomayim Congregation and is a member of the Central Committee on the Scholarships-in-Aid Committee. Mr. Cohen is a partner in the Du-Sel importing firm.

Lipson is vice-chairman of the Leadership Development Program of the UJWF, a member of the UJA Cabinet, and a member of the Community Services Committee of the Canadian Jewish Congress. A member of B'nai B'rith and Beth Tzedec Synagogue, he is associated with MacGregor Hosiery Mills Ltd.

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Ontario Groups For Ghetto Fighters Museum

At a breakfast meeting on Sunday, Feb. 10th, the Stolnizer Society heard Rabbi David Monson and J. Egit, fraternal director of Histadrut, speak about the Ghetto Fighters Museum, dedicated to the memory of the Ghetto fighters, which is being built in Kibbutz Lochamei Hagetaot, Israel. H. Mansfield, president of the society, appealed for funds. Three-hundred dollars was raised, and a larger sum was pledged for the future.

COMMITTEE IN LONDON, ONTARIO

A meeting was held on Sunday, February 3rd, 1963, in London, Ont., for the purpose of forming a committee to assist in building the Museum in Kibbutz Lachemie Hagetaot in Israel.

Messrs. J. Egit and G. Steinhouse spoke of the necessity of London Jewry in supporting the museum through a campaign to raise funds.

After a lengthy discussion in which Mr. Ralph Waldman, Mr. W. Brontman, Mr. J. Goose, Mr. S. Seigel and others participated, it was decided to form such a committee, The officers are Mr. I. Moscovitz, chairman; Mr. W. Rotman, vice-chairman; Mr. J. Goose, treasurer.

Plans were made for the immediante future and for the observance of the 20th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising. A campaign is underway to raise funds for a room in the museum in the name of the survivors of Nazism who live in London.

ZAGLEMBIER SOCIETY

On Sunday, February 10th, the Zaglembier Society held a meeting. The guest speaker was Allan Grossman, M.P.P., who explained the historical significance of the museum and the importance of helping to build it in Lochemei Hagetaot.

A room will be dedicated in the museum in the name of the Zaglembier Jews who perished under the Nazis. It will house records, correspondence and diaries relating to the destruction and heroism of the Jews of Zaglembier.

Mr. Ferens, the chairman, pledged the society would raise at least $5,000 for this projert.

OSTROVZER CAMPAIGN

Under the chairmanship of the president, A. Shwartz, a meeting of the Ostrovzer Society, held on Feb. 11th, was devoted to discussing the resistance of East European Jewry during the Nazi period. Mr. J. Egit spoke of the importance of building a museum in Lochamei Hagetaot in memory of the Ghetto Fighters.

Rabbi Leiner Case Seen From London

London (CJN)

Our eminent confrère, the Jewish Chronicle, will publish this week the following editorial observations on the Toronto Leiner case:

POLICEMEN TO YESHIVA

On a Friday evening in 1962 a Toronto rabbi was walking home from prayer when he was arrested by the police on a vagrancy charge, bundled into a car and driven to the police station. An arrest is a traumatic experience in itself, but to be forced to break the Sabbath adds sacrilege to injury. An official inquiry has now criticised the officers responsible and has urged that "police officers be taught a sufficient knowledge of Jewish Sabbath customs." The policeman's lot, assuredly, is not a happy one. Modern crime and the modern criminal already demand of him a knowledge of the criminal code, court procedure, auto mechanics, wireless telegraphy, forensic medicine, psychology, ballistics, statistics. To add to that a familiarity with "hilchot Shabbat" may overstrain a capacity already strained. Yet it can be done. Some London policemen are so familiar with the laws of Shabbat as to assist as "Shabbat goyim." But is it enough? There are many days other than Sabbath on which the Orthodox Jew will neither travel nor carry money. And what of those autumn mornings when whole platoons of Jews emerge from their houses with palm-branches in one hand and something resembling a mills-bomb in the other; and the autumn evenings when they dwell in shanties open to wind and rain. What is the constable to make of them? There is only one solution. Every policeman as part of his training, must spend a year in a yeshiva.

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